

Case Number: 201880216.0 CAD Number: 201882390

Report Type: Initial Report

Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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Injuries						

	Narrative	
Title INITIAL INVESTIGATION		
See Supplemental Reports		



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Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

#### **Narrative**

Title

**INITIAL INVESTIGATION** 

This report is written by PO Lydia RIVERA-HOLEY, assigned to District Three, Late Power Shift.

On Monday, July 6, 2020 at 8:53PM, Squad 3465, myself and PO Taylor ZUBE, were dispatched to a Shooting at Milwaukee VA Hospital, 5000 W National Ave in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Upon our arrival, I observed multiple West Milwaukee Police Department officers blocking the perimeter of the entrance to the Hospital.

As we approached the emergency room entrance, we were met by VA Security who directed us to ER Room #8 with the listed victim, who was being treated by VA Hospital staff.

VA Hospital staff stated they were unable to identify the victim and he had no identification on his property. A VA nurse brought the victim's property from room #8 and placed it into a bag. The nurse went through the pockets of the pants to search for identification and stated there was shotgun shells in his front pockets and showed me. I observed three black shotgun shells in one of the front pants pockets. The nurse placed the victim's property into a plastic bag to which she handed over to officers.

I stood by with the victim until MPD Detectives arrived on scene and took over the investigation.

End of Report

Reporting Officer: Rivera-Holey, Lydia M 029216

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	Narrative	
Title SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT		

This report is being submitted by P.O. Taylor CARLONI assigned to District 3, Early shift.

On Monday July 7th, 2020 at approximately 8:53 pm squad 3230 (myself and P.O. Nicholas CARSTEDT) were dispatched to a Shooting complaint located at 5000 W National Av (VA Hospital)., which is located in the City and County of Milwaukee.

Upon arrival I entered the main entrance to the hospital to assist inside. During the course of the investigation I remained with the subject in ER room 8 while medical staff worked on the subject. I bagged subjects clothing items and waited for transport to arrive.

**End of Report** 

Reporting Officer: Carloni, Taylor O 026039



Title CANVASS

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Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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This report is written by P.O. Dexter LEE assigned to District #3 on Early Shift.

On Monday, July 6, 2020 at 8:54PM, P.O. Margaret DEVITO and I were dispatched as squad 3241 to a shooting complaint located 5000 W National Ave (Veterans Hospital). This occurred in the City/County of Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin.

Upon arrival I conducted a canvas in the 4900 W National Ave checking for residential houses that were struck by gun fire however; no houses were struck. I also checked the 1100 block of N 49th St to determine if any houses were struck however; no houses or vehicle were struck. I then observed B , Cl standing on the corner of S 48th St and W. National Ave. I asked C if he heard or seen anything related to the shooting. C stated that he heard 2 gunshots and then heard multiple gunshots after the first two initial shots. C stated he did not see anything. I then located a witness at the residence of 4 W National Ave. This information was relayed to Sensitive Crimes due to the witness being a child. Detectives from Sensitive Crimes responded to conduct the interview.

End of Report



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Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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Property Title	•				
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This report is written by **Detective Michael FEDEL** assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Homicide Unit, Late Shift.

On 07/07/2020 I conducted follow-up on the Officer Involved Shooting (M6050) which occurred on 07/06/2020 at 8:45 PM, at the location of 5000 W. National Ave., at the Milwaukee Veteran's Hospital. The deceased suspect was identified as **DENTON**, **Joseph W. M/B 01/05/1985**.

The follow-up conducted was to download and document the 911 calls regarding.

Reporting Officer: Fedel, Michael A 009128

DOWNLOAD AND DOCUMENT 911 CALLS - M6050(OIS)

Title



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I conducted a search of the Nice Inform Client Database and found one call. I was able to download the 911 call into the electronic m-file and also onto a DVDR. I placed the original DVDR on Milwaukee Police Department Inventory# 20023516.

07/06/2020 at 8:48:24 PM

4.

Male caller, called 911 and stated that he was calling from the Milwaukee Veteran's Hospital Police Department. Caller requested a Milwaukee Fire Engine and Ambulance. The caller stated that they just had a suspect with a weapon that they shot. The caller stated that the shooting occurred right in front of the main entrance to the Milwaukee Veteran's Hospital, 5000 W. National Ave. The TC then asked the caller what happened to the person? The caller stated that the person was walking around with a full length shotgun, was pointing and gesturing with the shotgun. The caller stated that he was not sure if the person fired first, but that they had to open fire at him. The caller was then talking into what sounded like a police radio in the background. The caller stated that he was just talking with his lieutenant over the radio. The caller stated that his lieutenant was making sure he placed the call. The caller then requested that officers from the Milwaukee Police Department also respond. The caller was then connected with the Milwaukee Fire Department for medical. While waiting for MFD to answer, the TC asked the caller for his name, which he gave as Justin SCHANKY. The MFD TC then answered and the caller stated that they had a subject with a weapon. The caller stated that he did not know personally if the subject fired first or not, but that they did have to shoot him. The caller stated that the subject was currently down and that he was not sure of the person's medical status, but that there are people from the hospital working on him. The MFD TC then stated that she was sending help and then the call with MFD was ended. The police TC then asked the caller if he had any information on the suspect? The caller stated that they were working on that now. The TC then asked about the weapon? The caller stated that yes, he had a full length shotgun, and that his lieutenant told him that it was fully loaded. The TC asked the caller if the suspect was white, black, or Hispanic? The caller stated he thought it was a black male, at least from his perspective. The caller stated that he was just now notified that the suspect was a black male, wearing a white shirt with full length dreadlocks. The TC asked the caller again about the suspect with the gun, and did he just walk up? The caller stated that they were just notified shortly before this happened that there was a man outside your area armed with a shotgun. The TC then asked the caller if he knew where on the body was the person shot? The caller stated that he did not know, that he heard multiple gunshots, between three and six. The caller stated that he did not know if the person fired any of those shots. The TC then asked the caller for a good callback number, which he gave as the caller that she did enter the call for the police and fire to respond. The call was then ended.

End of Report.

M.F.



Case Number: 201880216.005 CAD Number:

Report Type: Forensics - Fl Supplemental

	Proce	essing		
Processed Data/Time 07/07/2020 09:10	Location of Processing FORENSIC LAB			
Requesting Officer or De DET JAMES JORDAN	Requesting Squad Number 9229			
Evidence Submitted To I DET JAMES JORDAN	Forensics Lab By			
Photographs				
Photos Taken Number of Photos Taken Description SHOTGUN			notos Taken	
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Processed for Prints YES	Prints Recovered NO		Processing Used For No Lifts ARDROX,CYANOACRYLATE	
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Description of Items Prod INV # 20023518: MOSSBE	cessed ERG 500A 12GA SHOTGUN S	ERIAL ‡		
DNA				
DNA Collected YES		Number of DNA samples		
Tow Lot				
Tow Lot Processing		Video Taping	Video Turned Over To	
Other Scene Processing			w. North Well II.	
Other Processing	Other Type of Processing		Video Taping of Scene	
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nventory # 20023552	Item Number		Hold Reason Evidence	
Property Title DNA SAMPLE 1				



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Quantity	M SIGHTS OF MOSSBERG SHOTGUN  Recovery Location	Recovery Date / Time
2	FORENSIC LAB	7/7/2020 9:10:00 AM
	DNA Property (2)	
Inventory # 20023552	Item Number 2	Hold Reason Evidence
Property Title DNA SAMPLE 2		
<b>DNA Property Description</b> POSS DNA SAMPLE FRO	n M TRIGGER/ GUARD OF MOSSBERG SHO	OTGUN
Quantity 2	Recovery Location FORENSIC LAB	Recovery Date / Time 7/7/2020 9:11:00 AM
	DNA Property (3)	
Inventory # 20023552	Item Number 3	Hold Reason Evidence
Property Title DNA SAMPLE 3		
<b>DNA Property Description</b> POSS DNA SAMPLE FROI	n M GRIP OF MOSSBERG SHOTGUN	***
<b>Quantity</b> 2	Recovery Location FORENSIC LAB	Recovery Date / Time 7/7/2020 9:12:00 AM
	DNA Property (4)	
Inventory # 20023552	Item Number 4	Hold Reason Evidence
Property Title DNA SAMPLE 4	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
<b>DNA Property Description</b> POSS DNA SAMPLE FROM	M FORE ARM OF MOSSBERG SHOTGUN	
Quantity ?	Recovery Location FORENSIC LAB	Recovery Date / Time 7/7/2020 9:13:00 AM
	Narrative	
FORENSIC LAB		



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THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED BY FORENSIC INVESTIGATOR DAWN VEYTSMAN, ASSIGNED TO THE FORENSICS DIVISION, DAY SHIFT.

ON JULY 7, 2020, AT THE FORENSIC LAB (PAB #345) I PROCESSED EVIDENCE FOR FINGERPRINTS AND DNA REQUESTED BY DET. JAMES JORDAN . THIS EVIDENCE WAS SUBMITTED ON INV # 20023518 REGARDING A HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION WHICH OCCURRED ON 7/7/2020 AT 5000 W NATIONAL AVE .

USING CYANOCRYLATE AND ARDROX, I WAS UNABLE TO RECOVER ANY LATENT FINGERPRINTS .

DNA SAMPLES WERE PLACED ON INV# 20023552. SEE DNA TABS FOR DETAILED INFORMATION.

I TOOK FIVE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THIS INCIDENT.

LATENT CASE # 20-LC- 2537 WAS ASSIGNED :



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Person Invo	lved Address					
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Employer / School Name				Employer / School Ph		one
Employer / S	chool Address					

	Narrative	
Title WITNESS INTERVIEW		

This supplemental report is submitted by PO CARSTEDT assigned to District 3 Early Shift.

On Monday 7-6-20 Squad 3230 (PO CARLONI and I) responded to a Shooting call for service at the VA Hospital in the City and County of Milwaukee WI.

Upon arrival I observed a white female seated in the front seat of a vehicle near the scene of the incident. I approached the female and she identified herself by WI ID a PI stated she was sitting in her vehicle and observed the incident. I collected P information and stood by for CIB. See CIB interview regarding.

I then conducted scene security until properly relieved.

End of supplement report.

Reporting Officer: Carstedt, Nicholas 028445



Case Number: 201880216.007 CAD Number:

Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

Gun Involvement	Gun Involvement		ег
Related Offense Link			
Property Title Sig Sauer 9MM Pistol**	Officer gun**		
<b>Property Description</b> Sig Sauer 9MM semi-au	uto, with MPD Seal#93607		11
Quantity 1.0000	Manufacturer S.I.G. (SWISS INDUSTRIEL)GESELLSHAFT SZ	Model P229	<b>Color</b> Black
<b>Firearm Type</b> Handgun	Gun Action PI – Pistol, Semi-automatic	Caliber 9MM	Barrel Length
Gun Value	Serial Number AJU02146	Gun Tag Number 93607	Date of Recovery 07/06/2020
Inventory Number 20023505	Item Number 1	TTY Number	Hold Reason Evidence
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This report is written by Detective WILLIAM SCHROEDER assigned to the Investigations and Intelligence Bureau, Homicide Unit as squad 9231.

On Monday, July 6, 2020, Detective LORI ROM and I responded to the Veterans Hospital located at 5000 W. National Avenue, for a reported officer involved shooting. The shooting victim was identified as JOSEPH W. DENTON, B/M, 01/05/1985. DENTON was later pronounced deceased at 9:54 P.M. of 07/06/2020. Detective ROM and I conducted the firearm inspection, round count and photographing of LIEUTENANT JOSEPH TRIPP.

Forensic Investigator PETER ULATOWSKI took overall photographs of LT TRIPP and all of his equipment. LT TRIPP is armed with a Black Sig Sauer, Model P229, 9MM Semi-automatic pistol with serial number #AJU02146. The pistol at the time of inspection was loaded with (1) live round in the chamber and (11) unfired 9MM cartridges in the firearm magazine. LT TRIPP carries (2) additional magazines in a magazine pouch located on his duty belt. The (2) magazines were filled with (15) unfired cartridges of nickel FC 9MM Luger H.P. ammunition. I accounted for a toal of (42) rounds in 9MM Luger ammunition for LT TRIPP. I recovered the firearm, magazine, ammunition and placed them on Milwaukee Police Department inventory#20023505. I placed Milwaukee Police Department firearm seal# 93607 on the firearm and secured the firearm in a cardboard gun box. The firearm and ammunition were secured in the inventory room of the Police Administration Building fourth floor. LT TRIPP was dressed in a police style uniform with patches and a badge. The insignia's incorporated the word "Police" within them. LT TRIPP is not equipped with a body worn camera but the area of the incident is monitored by surveillance video. The interview for LT TRIPP is being scheduled for a future date and time.

END OF REPORT 015957



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Processing
Processed Data/Time | Location of Processing | CAD Number | 201882390 |
Requesting Officer or Detective | Requesting Squad Number | 9230 |
Evidence Submitted To Forensics Lab By | N/A |

Photographs

Photos Taken
YES

Number of Photos Taken
SUSPECT, OFFICERS INVOLVED AND ROUND COUNT

Prints

Number of Lifts Recovered Latent Case # N/A

Description of Items Processed N/A

DNA Collected

Number of DNA samples

NO 0

Tow Lot Processing
No

Video Taping
No

Video Turned Over To
N/A

Other Processing
Other Processing
No

Other Type of Processing
No

Video Taping of Scene
No

Video Turned Over To
N/A

Processed Date/Time

Lift # Lift Description

Processing Type Used

Reporting Officer: Ulatowski, Peter J 018030



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Lab Processing Type Used		Photograph of Lift on CD		
	DNA Prope	rty (1)		
Inventory #	Item Number	Hold Reason		
Property Title				
DNA Property Description				
Quantity	Recovery Location	Recovery Date / Time		
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Title FI PHOTOGRAPH OFFICERS AI	ND SUSPECT			

This report is written by F.I. Peter ULATOWSKI (P.S. 018030) assigned to the Forensics Division, Forensic Investigator Section, assigned to Early shift as Squad 1824.

On 07-06-2020 at approximately 9:19 p.m., I was dispatched to an Officer Involved Shooting at the Veterans Affairs (V.A.) Hospital at the address of 5000 W. National Ave. I was to meet Det. Lori ROM (P.S. 018123, Squad 9230).

Upon arrival I took a total of 101 photographs of the officers involved in the shooting, round count, suspect and suspects clothing/items on person.



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	Narrative	
Title M6050 - INTERVIEW OF VA DISP	ATCHER JUSTIN SCHANKEY	

This report is written by Detective WILLIAM SCHROEDER assigned to the Investigations and Intelligence Bureau, Homicide Unit as squad 9231.

On Monday, July 6, 2020, Detective LORI ROM and I responded to the Veterans Hospital located at 5000 W. National Avenue, for a reported officer involved shooting. The shooting victim was identified as JOSEPH W. DENTON, B/M, 01/05/1985. DENTON later was pronounced deceased at 9:54 P.M. Detective ROM and I conducted the interview of JUSTIN SCHANKEY.

Reporting Officer: Schroeder, William 015957



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SCHANKEY stated he is employed as a dispatcher for the Veterans Hospital. SCHANKEY stated he has been employed with the VA for the past 13 years as a dispatcher. SCHANKEY stated his scheduled shift for the day is 3PM - 11:30PM. SCHANKEY stated the night prior he worked 6AM - 6PM. SCHANKEY stated he slept for (7) hours prior to his shift today (07/06/2020). SCHANKEY stated prior to work he had a regular which no issues. SCHANKEY stated prior to the incident he was in the dispatch office doing general duties. SCHANKEY stated the dispatch work area is equipped with the monitors for the surveillance cameras. SCHANKEY stated he was aware that "J " and Sergeant BROWN walked out of the east entrance. SCHANKEY stated he recalls looking at the time and noted it was 8:45 PM. SCHANKEY stated suddenly "J "runs to his work location and bangs on the window. SCHANKEY stated "J " was saying that there was a subject outside with a gun. SCHANKEY stated as this is occurring SGT BROWN broadcasted over the radio that there was a subject with a gun. SCHANKEY stated he quickly focused the east entrance cameras to the location SGT BROWN and the subject with gun was located. SCHANKEY stated he focused the cameras on the situation and never left his post. SCHANKEY stated he received additional calls at dispatch for the situation on the grounds. SCHANKEY contacted 911 and Milwaukee Police squads responded to the location. SCHANKEY stated the video was being downloaded and will be available shortly. The video disk was provided to LT. TARVER who turned the video over to me. I turned the video over to Detective RODOLFO ALVARADO for inventory.

END OF REPORT 015957



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Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

#### Narrative

Title

INTERVIEW OF PO GLENN STRITCHKO

This report is being written by **Detective Lori ROM**, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift.

On Monday, July 6, 2020, **Det. William SCHROEDER** (Squad 9231) and I, along with other Milwaukee Police Detectives, were dispatched to an Officer Involved Fatal Shooting, located at 5000 W National Ave, in the City and County of Milwaukee. There were two officers that shot and they were identified as **Glenn L STRITCHKO (W/M,** and **Joseph S TRIPP (W/M,** The deceased was identified as **Joseph W DENTON (B/M, 01/05/1985)**.

Upon my arrival, Det. SCHROEDER and I were instructed to conduct the officer involved interviews. Det. SCHROEDER and I met with PO STRITCHKO in an office located at the VA. Det. SCHROEDER and I introduced ourselves to PO STRITCHKO and asked him if he was willing to speak to us regarding what occurred. PO STRITCHKO stated he was willing to make a statement.

PO STRITCHKO has been working with the VA since March of 2016. His normal shift hours are from 6:00pm to 6:00am. PO STRITCHKO has a badge number of 5095. Prior to his shift today, PO STRITCHKO stated the last day he worked was Thursday July 2, 2020 into Friday July 3, 2020. PO STRITCHKO was off for the holiday weekend. PO STRITCHKO stated he went to bed the night before (07/05/2020) at approximately 11:00pm and woke up at approximately 8:00am (07/06/2020). PO STRITCHKO stated he went about his normal day and let the dog out, hung out around the house, ate lunch, and then laid down for a nap around 12:30 pm. PO STRITCHKO woke up around 4:00pm and got ready for work.

Reporting Officer: Rom, Lori M 018123



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Once PO STRITCHKO was at work, he took his squad car to the BP Gas Station to fill it up with gas. After the gas station, he patrolled the VA grounds in his squad car. Just prior to the shooting, PO STRITCHKO stopped on the east end of the building and exited out of his vehicle to get some water and talk with the nurses at the COVID tent. As he was at the tent, he heard on the radio an officer yelling 10-18, he's got a gun, he's got a gun.

PO STRITCHKO stated he turned around south to assess where the suspect may be located. When he looked to the south, he observe Sgt. BROWN walking in a southbound direction with his firearm out and pointed in a "high ready" position. PO STRITCHKO started to walk in that direction and as he crossed the drive up area to the east entrance, he observed the suspect in the road area with a rifle in his hands. PO STRITCHKO stated he went to a pillar to get cover.

As PO STRITCHKO was at the pillar, he observed another police officer to his east. Sgt. BROWN continued to walk down the sidewalk, however, he was backing away from the suspect and ordering him to drop the gun.

PO STRITCHKO observed the suspect to go onto the ground and then got back up while raising the rifle.

The suspect pointed the rifle at Sgt. BROWN. At this time, PO STRITCHKO was unable to get a good shot. PO STRITCHKO told Sgt. BROWN to take the shot but he did not. The suspect then walked towards Sgt. BROWN some more with the rifle pointed at him. PO STRITCHKO stated he believes he took his first shot at the suspect while he was walking towards the Sgt but he was not sure. PO STRITCHKO stated the suspect started turning and started to point the rifle at Lt. TRIPP. At this time PO STRITCHKO took a second shot at the suspect.

After PO STRITCHKO shot twice, he stated he was told to sit in a separate area and wait for someone to speak with him. Once the interview was completed, I assessed PO STRITCHKO for any injuries or blood and I did not observed anything.

I noted that PO STRITCHKO was dressed in a full duty dark blue VA Police Department Uniform, with the following configuration:



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Head:

PO STRITCHKO had glasses on top of his head.

Upper Body:

Wearing an external vest carrier fashioned after a uniform shirt, with a silver badge on the upper left breast area and silver name plate with "STRITCHKO" on the right breast area. Located on the right breast pocket were three pins and the left breast pocket was a pen. In the lower left vest pocket, a cellular telephone and squad car key. Located in the lower right pocket was the top part of the radio.

**Duty Belt:** 

PO STRITCHKO duty belt was a leather belt with many leather accessories. The equipment on the belt was as follows, starting on the left side and working to the right:

A leather two magazine holder, worn vertically, with two magazines.

Neither of the magazine holders or magazines were labeled. Each magazine contained 15 9mm Luger FC HP unfired cartridges. The magazines held a total of 30 cartridges.

A radio holder with the radio connected and a cord attached which led to where the microphone part was connected.

A leather expandable baton holder with the baton

A leather and metal long baton ring, no baton in it.

A leather flashlight holder with a flashlight.

A leather belt keeper.

A glove pouch. (directly in small of back)

A leather belt keeper and attached keys.

A plastic holster with an VA issued Sig Sauer P229 inside. The gun was found to have serial number AGU04357, and was loaded, with one 9mm luger FC HP caliber cartridge in the chamber and 12 9mm luger FC HP caliber cartridges in the magazine (gun on right hip area of belt)



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A leather belt keeper.

A leather OC holder containing a bottle of OC Spray.

A leather handcuff holder located on the front right side of his belt.

Lower body:

PO STRITCHKO was wearing black uniform pants and black shoes. Attached to his left hip was a black medical bag.

Squad 1824, Forensic Investigator Peter ULATOWSKI responded to the scene and took photos of PO STRITCHKO as he appeared at the time of the shooting. FI ULATOWSKI took photos of his front, back, and sides. In addition he took a picture of both spare magazines and the number of cartridges that were located in each magazine. The firearm was also photographed along with the magazine and the cartridges that were in the magazine and in the chamber.

After all the cartridges were photographed and counted, PO Adam DETTMAN issued PO STRITCHKO a new firearm and new magazines.

The firearm and magazines were collected and placed on MPD Inventory # 20023501 as Items 1 and 2. End of Report.



Case Number: 201880216.011 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

Narrative

Title

INTERVIEW OF PO RYAN S BECHT

Reporting Officer: Rom, Lori M 018123



Case Number: 201880216

This report was written by **Det. Lori ROM**, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift.

On Monday, July 6, 2020, **Det. William SCHROEDER** (Squad 9231) and I, along with other Milwaukee Police Detectives, were dispatched to an Officer Involved Fatal Shooting, located at 5000 W National Ave, in the City and County of Milwaukee. There were two officers that shot and they were identified as **Glenn L STRITCHKO (W/M,** ) and **Joseph S TRIPP** (W/M, ). The deceased was identified as **Joseph W DENTON (B/M, 01/05/1985)**.

Det. SCHROEDER and I were instructed to conduct officer interviews.

#### Interview of PO Ryan S BECHT (W/M, (

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The interview of BECHT took place in the office at the VA. BECHT stated he has been with the VA for three months. He has not yet gone through the academy so he has not been issued a full police uniform or gear.

In regards to the incident, BECHT stated he was assigned to work dispatch, go through reports, and shadow other officers at the VA. BECHT normally works 6:00pm until 6:00am. Just prior to the incident occurring, BECHT stated he was reorganizing reports when he heard an officer yelling on the radio. BECHT stated he observed other officers running towards the east entrance of the building, so he ran as well.

When he exited out of the east doors, he observed a suspect with a shotgun in his hands. BECHT stated he backed up inside the door because he realized he did not have a firearm. As BECHT was inside, he observed the officers outside surrounding the suspect. BECHT stated he heard the officers order the subject to drop the weapon multiple times. At one point, BECHT stated he observed the suspect put the shotgun down, however, he picked it back up and started pointing the shotgun in all directions towards the officers.

At this point, BECHT stated he was attempting to move the hospital staff away from the doors and windows. While he was doing that, he heard multiple gunshots coming from outside. Immediately after the gunshots, the officers started to run towards the suspect and kicked the shotgun away from his hands. Once the shotgun was cleared from the suspect, a nurse ran out and immediately started assessing the suspect. BECHT stated he ran inside to get the AED and bring it out to the nurse. BECHT stated he waited until the police arrived.

End of Report.

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Case Number: 201880216.012

**CAD Number:** 

Report Type: Forensics - Fl Supplemental

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Reporting Officer: Jenkins, Jonathan M 011292



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THIS FORENSIC SUPPLEMENT IS WRITTEN BY FORENSIC INVESTIGATOR JONATHAN JENKINS ASSIGNED TO FORENSICS, EARLY SHIFT.

ON MONDAY, JULY 6TH, 2020, AT APPROXIMATELY 10:00 P.M., I, FORENSIC INVESTIGATOR JENKINS, WHILE ASSIGNED TO SQUAD 1825 WAS DISPATCHED TO 5000 W. NATIONAL AV. REGARDING AN OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING. UPON ARRIVAL I WAS MET BY SQUAD 1910, SERGEANT JEFFREY KRUEGER. I TOOK NINE DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHS REGARDING THIS INCIDENT.

I ALSO USED THE MPD TRIMBLE X7 3D DIGITAL SCANNER TO COLLECT SCANS OF THE SCENE ALONG WITH ANNOTATIONS OF EVIDENCE. THE SCANS WERE DOWNLOADED AND SAVED ONTO THE TRIMBLE SOFTWARE.

END OF REPORT,



Case Number: 201880216.013 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

#### Narrative

Title

INTERVIEW OF WEST MILWAUKEE POLICE OFFICER MAKOUSKE, BRANDON

This supplement report was typed by **Detective Rodolfo ALVARADO**, assigned to the Homicide Division, early shift. On Monday, July 6, 2020. I was assigned to squad 9220. On that date, Detectives assigned to the Homicide Division, early shift and I were directed to respond to the Officer-involved shooting at the VA Hospital (5000 W. National Ave).

Upon arriving at the location, we were briefed by Sgt. Paul BJORQUIST., who provided us with the information developed during the initial investigation. I was then directed to conduct the interview of West Milwaukee Police Officer Brandon MAKOUSKE. I proceeded to interview West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE.

West Milwaukee Police Officer Brandon MAKOUSKE (Badge #34)

4755 W. Beloit Rd. Ph. # 414-645-2151.

Works 3pm-11pm

Wearing his police uniform

Equipped with body cam.

West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE proceeded to state that he started work at 11:00 a.m., and was working until 11:00 p.m. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he was driving a marked squad (no camera), car # 18. I proceeded to ask West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE to tell me what happened. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he was at the police station when he heard over the radio the VA Police was requesting mutual aid, regarding a subject with a gun. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he and Sgt. Tony MUNOZ proceeded to respond to the VA Hospital (5000 W. National Ave). West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he was following Sgt. MUNOZ as they were driving to the location. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that while in route, he heard over the radio officers broadcasting shot's fired, and that the suspect was down.

West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that they pulled up, and he proceeded to get out of his squad car. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that when he stepped out of his squad car, he heard someone yelling to get the AED. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he observed that the subject was down on the ground and that there were nurses and doctors tending to the subject, performing CPR. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he proceeded to go to his squad car, retrieved an AED. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he took the AED over by the subject, doctors, and nurses. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he proceeded to get the AED ready, and handed the pads to one of the nurses that were performing the CPR. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that the nurse proceeded to put the pads on the subject. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that the AED was analyzing at which time someone directed them to take the subject into the hospital. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he assisted in pushing the gurney in. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he then came back outside and proceeded to put Police tape up, and started searching for evidence and located 1 of the casings that were found by the vehicle. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that he then stood by waiting for further orders. West Milwaukee Police Officer MAKOUSKE stated that his body-carn was activated.

Report per Detective Rodolfo ALVARADO.

Reporting Officer: Alvarado, Rodolfo 013909

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Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

**Narrative** 

Title

M6050 - INTERVIEW OF L.L.A (11 YOA)

Reporting Officer: Schroeder, William 015957

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This report is written by Detective WILLIAM SCHROEDER assigned to the Investigations and Intelligence Bureau, Homicide Unit as squad 9231.

On Monday, July 6, 2020, Detective LORI ROM and I responded to the Veterans Hospital located at 5000 W. National Avenue, for a reported officer involved shooting. The shooting victim was identified as JOSEPH W. DENTON, B/M, 01/05/1985. DENTON later was pronounced deceased at 9:54 P.M. Detective ROM and I conducted the interview of an 11 year old regarding the incident.

END OF REPORT 015957



Case Number: 201880216.015 CAD Number:

Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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	Narrative	
Title INTERVIEW OF VA PO CHRISTOPHER THORN	***************************************	

This report is written by Detective Alex Klabunde, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Squad 9226, early shift.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:15pm, Lt Kevin EYRE, instructed Det. Tyler KIRKVOLD (Squad 9228) and me to respond to a an officer involved shooting at the Milwaukee Veterans Affairs Hospital, 5000 W National Av.

Upon my arrival, I was instructed by Lt. EYRE to conduct witness interviews.

Reporting Officer: Klabunde, Alexander R 016888



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He informed me that V.A. PO Christopher THORN was present at the time of this shooting, but did not fire his weapon. I located PO THORN outside of the east emergency room entrance of the hospital and then interviewed him.

#### Interview of V.A. PO Christopher THORN-

PO THORN stated that he was appointed to the V.A. Police on 01-06-08. He stated that his badge number was 4421, and his shift on 7-6-20 was 6:00pm-6:00am. PO THORN stated that he was not equipped with a body worn camera. PO THORN stated that he was armed with a Sig Sauer P229 9mm semi-automatic handgun during his shift. He carried this handgun with 14 9mm unfired cartridges in a magazine in this handgun, and 1 unfired cartridge in the chamber. PO Thorn also carried two additional magazines with 15 unfired cartridges on his duty belt. I observed that PO THORN had all of these unfired cartridges accounted for in his handgun and in the magazines.

PO THORN stated that after 8:00pm, he was patrolling the interior of building 111 of the V.A. grounds, when he heard Sgt. BROWN broadcast a "10-18 at the east entrance" over the V.A. radio. PO THORN stated that he understood this to mean that there was an emergency at the east entrance of the V.A. Hospital.

PO THORN then responded to the east entrance of the hospital. PO THORN stated that he walked outside with a training officer, Ryan BECHT, and Lt. Joseph TRIPP. PO THORN then observed Sgt. BROWN standing near a snow fence to the south of the east hospital entrance. PO THORN stated that a black male, in his early 30's, 5'05, thin build, dreadlocks to his shoulders, wearing a white t-shirt, and armed with a short black shotgun with a pistol grip standing in the roadway near a stop sign to the south of the east hospital entrance. This subject was later identified as Joseph W DENTON



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(B/M, 01-05-85). PO THORN observed that DENTON was aiming his shotgun at Sgt. BROWN.

PO THORN stated that he, Lt. TRIPP, Sgt. BROWN, and PO Glenn STRITCHKO were all outside ordering DENTON to drop the shotgun. PO THORN stated that they all ordered him to drop the weapon repeatedly. PO THORN stated that DENTON did not immediately comply with these orders, but instead responded "you put your guns down motherfucker!" PO THORN stated that DENTON started pointing the shotgun at all of the officers outside.

PO THORN stated that he and the other officers continued to order DENTON to drop the shotgun. At one point DENTON did drop the shotgun to the ground. PO THORN stated that when the shotgun hit the ground, the sound the weapon made convinced him that it was a real firearm. PO THORN then decided to try to rush DENTON and tackle him away from the shotgun. As PO THORN started to run towards DENTON, DENTON picked the shotgun back up and pointed it at PO THORN.

PO THORN stated that he then retreated over a hill towards a Milwaukee County Transit System bus shelter. PO THORN stated that a blue sedan stopped near the bus shelter and the driver was staring at what was happening. PO THORN ordered the driver to leave the area for their safety. PO THORN observed that the suspect was still pointing the shotgun at the officers in the area. PO THORN then positioned himself behind DENTON.

PO THORN stated that DENTON started walking towards the hospital in the driveway. PO THORN observed that Lt. TRIPP was in the parking area to the east of DENTON and Sgt. BROWN was backing away from the snow fence area. PO THORN did not see where PO STRITCHKO was at this time The suspect continued to point his shotgun at the officers while ignoring



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commands by the officers for him to drop the shotgun. PO THORN stated that he felt the threat of death or great bodily harm posed by DENTON to PO THORN and the other officers nearby was great enough that deadly force was necessary. PO THORN stated that the only reason he did not fire his weapon at DENTON was because of where PO THORN was physically positioned. PO THORN was concerned that if he fired his weapon he might strike other officers or bystanders near the hospital entrance.

PO THORN stated that he then heard 2-3 gunshots fired by an unknown officer, followed by 1 gunshot that sounded like it came from the area of Lt. TRIPP. After the last gunshot was fired, PO THORN observed DENTON fall to the ground. PO THORN then ran to DENTON and kicked the shotgun away from him.

PO THORN stated that he began to handcuff DENTON, but he stopped when he recognized that DENTON was severely injured and medical personnel from the hospital were already responding to help DENTON. PO THORN stated that medical personnel started CPR and asked for an AED before DENTON was moved into the hospital.

PO THORN then remained at the hospital until this interview.

End of report, M6050.



Case Number: 201880216.016 CAD Number:

Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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This report was written by Detective Tyler KIRKVOLD assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift, Squad 9228.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:18 Lt Kevin EYRE requested that my partner, Detective Alex KLABUNDE, and I respond to the Milwaukee VA Medical Center located at 5000 W National Ave for an officer involved shooting. Upon our arrival I was briefed the preliminary details of the incident by Squad 3211, Sgt Paul BJORKQUIST. I was informed that members of the VA Police Department encountered a subject identified as Joseph W. DENTON (b/m 01-05-85) who was armed with a shotgun outside of the E.R. entrance. Officers ultimately fired at DENTON and he was struck two times. DENTON died as a result of these injuries. I was informed that several witnesses were standing by waiting to speak with detectives. Detective KLABUNDE and I were tasked with conducting witness interviews.

Interview of M

I located P\_ sitting in the driver's seat of a green Subaru 4 door with Wisconsin personal registration plates of " ". Her vehicle was parked directly in front of the E.R. entrance, facing west, with the front of her vehicle directed at the E.R. entrance. Detective KLABUNDE and I initially conducted an interview and it was later requested that her interview be audio recorded. So I conducted a second where she confirmed everything that she previously stated to me, only this time it interview of P was recorded. P informed me that she came to the hospital on this day She arrived at approximately 4:30pm. After dropping off, she went and ran errands and then came back and waited in her car, in the lot. At one point she moved her car to where it was currently parked, and did not move it again. She remained there, in her car, by herself, until the incident occurred. She informed me that all of her vehicle's windows were down.

informed me that she first became aware of something going on near her when she heard a male's voice off to her left, to the south, out of her line of sight, saying, "Joe" and possibly "help me". She then saw three police officers appear, and she did not know exactly where they came from. She stated she observed one of the officers taking cover behind a concrete pillar directly in front of her car. Another took cover behind a planter on the left side of the E.R. entrance, and a third officer moved off to her left in



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the parking lot. She stated she heard the officers repeating several times, "Drop the gun" and "Put the gun down". She also heard the officers saying "We are here to help you" and "We don't want to hurt you". She then observed the subject that the officers were speaking to. She observed a black male, approximately 38 years old, 5'06", with a slim build, possibly curly hair, wearing a light colored T-shirt and black pants. She observed this subject to be armed with a black long gun and he was holding it outward, parallel to the ground. This subject was walking north, up the driveway toward the E.R.

While P. heard officers ordering the subject to put the gun down, she heard they subject reply by saying, "you put your guns down". She then heard an officer explain that they weren't going to do that and officers continued to aim their guns at the subject. P stated that the subject continued to walk closer to her location, up the driveway, toward the E.R. entrance. P informed me that she feared for her safety because the subject was armed, so she ducked down into her car and could no longer see anything going on outside of vehicle. She then heard one gunshot. She informed me she didn't know if there were more gunshots because she was so scared that she doesn't remember. She stated she did not see who was shooting. She looked up and observed officers moving toward where the subject was, and she knew that he was down on the ground, but she couldn't see him because her view was obstructed by a planter. She heard an officer yell that the suspect was shot and saw officers begin CPR on the subject. Other people came out of the hospital to help. She wasn't paying much attention and at one point the suspect was gone. She did not see anyone take him in to the hospital.

- P. did recall seeing one officer that was very distraught, and believed he may have been the officer that shot the subject. She stated she observed other officers that were comforting him.
- P had no further information and the interview concluded. The interview was later burned to compact disc and placed on Milwaukee Police Department Inventory #20023636 #2. The above report is only a summary of the interview of P . In order to hear the interview in its entirety refer to the inventoried disc.

End of report.

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Case Number: 201880216.017 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

Narrative

Title

NEXT OF KIN NOTIFICATION JOSEPH DENTON SR-M6050 (OIS)

Reporting Officer: Bell, Matthew P 017080

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This supplemental report is written by Detective Matthew BELL, assigned to Criminal Investigations Bureau-Homicide Unit late shift.

Bureau-Homicide Unit late shift.
On Monday, 07-06-2020, Lieutenant Shelondia TARVER requested my partner Detective Rosemarie GALINDO and I respond to the Milwaukee VA Medical Center near 4900 West National Avenue regarding the Officer Involved Shooting death of Joseph DENTON JR (B/M, 01-05-85) (M6050). This follow up consisted of conducting the next of kin with the victims father J D in our unmarked squad car. D requested his fiancee identified as V L (also be present during the interview. This request was honored.
D stated he came to the location of this incident after he was contacted by phone by his sister of his son being killed. He added he hasn't talked or seen the victim in two months. However he was aware the victim resided in an apartment near the Veteran Hospital. He added his son lived by himself and had a total of 5 kids, 3 from one woman and 2 from another woman who he was unable to identify.
C added his son was for approximately one year due to a He added his son, because of this could barely walk. He mentioned if his son did use medication to manage this it would be Tylenol. D denied his son had any mental health illness diagnosis, and did not have any issues with alcohol or drugs, "that I know of."
D said he was aware his son had a gun for a, "few years, 4-5 years" and described it as a "rifle-seven shot." During our conversation, it was later agreed upon that this was probably not a rifle but more a style of a shotgun. We asked D about a description of the gun. He said it was a long black gun with a "handgun" grip. D added he saw his son with this firearm "earlier this year" while at his sons residence.
During the interview, D! said to his knowledge his daughter V who resides in and has a cell phone number talked to the victim everyday to include approximately 2 hours prior to incident. At 4:24AM, we showed D a photo of his deceased son and he positive identified it as his son.
GALINDO and I provided our contact information to D and explained to him at length the process to expect regarding the Medical Examiners role in this investigation. We also implored him to contact either GALINDO and I with any questions or concerns he might have. We then drove both him and L to their parked vehicle on W. National Avenue just to the South of the incident location.
END OF REPORT



POLICE REPORT

Case Number: 201880216.018 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report

Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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## Milwaukee Police Department 749 W. State Street Milwaukee, WI 53233

#### 414-933-4444 POLICE REPORT

Case Number: 201880216

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This supplement report was typed by **Detective Rodolfo ALVARADO**, assigned to the Homicide Division, early shift. On Monday, July 6, 2020. I was assigned to squad 9220. On that date, Detectives assigned to the Homicide Division, early shift, and I were directed to respond to the Officer-involved shooting at the VA Hospital (5000 W. National Ave).

Upon arriving at the location, we were briefed by **Sgt. Paul BJORQUIST**, who provided us with the information developed during the initial investigation. I was then directed to conduct the interview of F<sub>I</sub> 1 proceeded to conduct the interview of K

I started the interview with K by asking him to provide me with his personal information. K proceeded to verbally identify himself as F. K , of Ph# K stated that he is currently employed by the VA as a Motor Vehicle Operator. K stated that he has been working for the VA for approximately 6 years. KI stated that he works from Monday through Friday, from 2:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

I continued the interview by asking K to tell me what he saw. K proceeded to state that he was driving his truck eastbound on S. Washington St. Kl stated that he stopped just past ambulance way, angled his truck in a southeast direction because he was going to back up his truck into the ambulance entrance to access the loading dock. K stated that he looked to his left, and observed a commotion going on at Ambulance Way. K stated that he observed a subject on the laying on the ground, and observed numerous subjects performing CPR on the subject. K stated that he observed the nurses taking turns stated that he observed 3-4 police officers, 3 nurses, 1 male tech, around the subject as they were performing CPR. K performing CPR. K stated that he saw someone bring the gurney out and saw someone from the ambulance bring out an AED. K. stated that he proceeded to back his truck up to the loading dock, and proceeded to go and unload the truck. KING stated that he came back out and was then stopped by the police who was asking him questions. I then asked **K** if he anyone with a gun or saw anyone shooting. **K** stated that he did not. It should be noted that the interview was audio recorded. The recording was later placed on Milwaukee Police Ac# 20023643.

Report per Detective Rodolfo ALVARADO.



Case Number: 201880216.019 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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**Case Number: 201880216** 

This report is written by **Detective Michael FLANNERY**, assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Squad 9246, *Violent Crimes Division*, Early shift.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at about 10:00 pm, Lt. Kevin EYRE instructed me to respond to a shooting which occurred at the Milwaukee Veterans Affairs Medical Center, located at 5000 W. National Ave, where the victim identified as Joseph W. DENTON, B/M, 1/5/85 was pronounced by medical personnel as deceased. Detective Michael THOMAE and I then changed location to the V.A Center where I was met by Lt. Kevin EYRE who advised me to stand by with the deceased.

I then went to the Emergency Room #8 where I was met by **Sgt Michael PELNAR**, P.O Taylor CARLONI, P.O Taylor ZUBE and P.O Lydia RIVERA-HOLEY. I was informed by Sgt PELNAR that DENTON was pronounced deceased by medical staff at 9:54 pm. I was informed that DENTON was admitted to the hospital at 8:55 pm with an assigned Doctor of Dr. Michael UIHLEIN.

I then walked in the room where DENTON was located, lying on a hospital bed with medical tubes coming out of his mouth and from his right side of his chest. DENTON did not have clothing on. I observed medical gauze on DENTON's left foot, where I was made aware that he sustained a gunshot wound. I also observed DENTON's clothing and property in three separate white medical bags which were later turned over to **Detective Rodolfo ALVARADO**.

I then stood by in the hallway where I waited for Forensic Investigator Peter ULATOWSKI who took several photographs depicting DENTON's wounds and his property. Please see **Detective** ALVARADO and **Detective James JORDAN**'s reports regarding.

Later, Hillary DONALD who is employed by the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office arrived. She took several photographs and observed the injuries. M.E DONALD rolled DENTON's body where I observed a gunshot wound to the middle of DENTON'S back, just left of his spine. I then requested for a Forensic Investigator to come and take additional photographs of DENTON. Forensic Investigator Jonathan JENKINS arrived and took photos depicting DENTON's gunshot wound to his back.

M.E DONALD then requested for the Medical Examiner's transport team. The transport team consisted of **Dayveon MINERICK** and **Melvin ROBINSON**. They prepared the body of DENTON for transport to the Medical Examiner's Office. M.E DONALD provided a lock number of 226831 and a bag seal time of 3:23 am on July 7th, 2020.

I then returned to the Police Administration Building regarding this assignment.

End of report.



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Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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This report was written by Detective Tyler KIRKVOLD assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift, Squad 9228.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:18 Lt Kevin EYRE requested that my partner, Detective Alex KLABUNDE, and I respond to the Milwaukee VA Medical Center located at 5000 W National Ave for an officer involved shooting. Upon our arrival I was briefed the preliminary details of the incident by Squad 3211, Sgt Paul BJORKQUIST. I was informed that members of the VA Police Department encountered a subject identified as Joseph W. DENTON (b/m 01-05-85) who was armed with a shotgun outside of the E.R. entrance. Officers ultimately fired at DENTON and he was struck two times. DENTON died as a result of these injuries. I was informed that several witnesses were standing by waiting to speak with detectives. Detective KLABUNDE and I were tasked with conducting witness interviews.

Interview	of S	C

I located G waiting in the front entrance of the E.R. G agreed to speak with me inside of my unmarked squad car, which was parked nearby. The entire interview was recorded using a handheld digital recorder. The interview was later burned to compact disc and placed on Milwaukee Police Department Inventory #20023636 #1. The following is only a summary of the interview that took place. In order to hear the interview in its entirety, refer to the aforementioned disc.

G informed me that he works at the hospital, in the COVID screening tents located just outside of the entrance to the E.R. to the north. He informed me that today his work hours were from 2:00pm to 10:30pm. He arrived to work today at approximately 1:30pm.



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Just prior to the shooting incident, G was seated in the blue COVID screening tent to the north of the entrance. He informed me that there was an officer seated directly beside him. He did not know the officer's name. G informed me that he heard the officer's radio say, "Gunman headed toward east entrance". The officer seated next to him then got up and moved out of the tent, toward the E.R. entrance. G jot up, and moved through the tent, behind a black fence to the north, where other tents were. G moved around the tents to the west, closer to the building, so he could see what was going on. While standing in that area he was looking to the south. At this time he observed a black male subject, in his 30s, 5'09" to 6'00" with a thin build, dreadlocks past his shoulders, wearing a white shirt and canvas or blue jeans, walking up the drive toward the E.R. He did not see this subject armed with a gun. He stated 5 or 6 uniformed officers appeared in the area and surrounded the subject. He heard the officers saying "Put the weapon down or we will be forced to shoot". This was said approximately ten times. He did not see the subject raise a weapon. He stated he then heard three gunshots and described the sound as "pop pop pop". He saw the subject fall to the ground. He believed an officer that he only knows as "Brian" fired his weapon because he saw the officer's gun rise as if it had recoiled. He also stated that the officer he knows as "Brian" was the loudest voice that he heard issuing commands to the subject. G informed me that he believed all of the officers shot, although he did not see all of the officers shoot, nor did he see any muzzle flash from any of the officer's guns. then observed the officers approach the subject, who was now on the ground, but he did not see what the officers did to the subject. He heard one of the officers say "loaded shotgun", Shortly after that medical personnel came out from the hospital to assist.

The interview concluded and G directed me to the areas he described to me as he was being interviewed. He showed me where he observed the subject fall, and where he was standing when he made these observations. I observed that from where he was standing when he made these observations that his view of the incident was partially obstructed by the black fence in front of him, as well as support pillars near the E.R. entrance, planters, and also black and yellow rope that created isles for the COVID testing area. Photographs were taken from this location in order to depict his point of view.

End of report.

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# POLICE REPORT

Case Number: 201880216.021 CAD Number:

Person Involved (1)

Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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Title INTERVIEW	OF JULIE DLUGIE					

This report is written by Detective Alex Klabunde, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Squad 9226, early shift.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:15pm, Lt Kevin EYRE, instructed Det. Tyler KIRKVOLD (Squad 9228) and me to respond to an officer involved shooting at the Milwaukee Veterans Affairs Hospital, 5000 W National Av.

Upon my arrival, I was instructed by Lt. EYRE to conduct witness interviews. I learned that J D , was identified as a witness to this incident. I then interviewed D

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Interview of J
D stated that she was employed at the Milwaukee V.A. Hospital as a registered nurse. She stated that she lived at and she provided a phone number of stated that she began her shift on 7-6-20 at 3:30pm and she was scheduled to end her shift at 4:00am on 7-7-20.
stated that she took a break at 8:35pm. She was walking out of the east hospital entrance as two V.A. employees were walking back towards the building. D stated that these employees then told her that there was a man with a gun outside. D stated that Sgt. BROWN of the V.A. Police was behind her when these employees said this, and he then went outside. D then observed a black male with long dreadlocks, 20-30 years old, 5'07-6'00, thin build, goatee, wearing a white t-shirt, blue jeans, and armed with a black shotgun to the south of the hospital entrance, near a stop sign.
b stated that she helped a person in a wheel chair get into the hospital. From the hospital vestibule, D turned around and observed that multiple police officers were now outside. She observed Sgt. BROWN standing near a snow fence to the south of the hospital entrance, and Lt. TRIPP was making his way behind the suspect through the hospital parking lot. D stated that the man with the shotgun started walking towards the hospital in the grass between the parking lot and the hospital driveway.
stated that she observed the man with the shotgun was now pointing the gun towards officers. She heard the officers repeatedly tell this man to drop the gun for approximately two minutes. D stated that the man with the gun was incoherent and he was not following any of the officers' commands.
stated that she then noticed the man with the shotgun was pointing his gun towards the hospital, in her direction. D was afraid that the suspect might fire his weapon towards her and she would be struck. Then backed away further into the hospital. She heard 2-3 gunshots, and waited a moment before going to the entrance and asking the officers if it was safe to come out.



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D stated that the officers informed her it was safe, and she then	
observed the man with the gun was now lying face down in the hospital	
driveway. She went to this man to render aid to him. D rolled the	man
over onto his back. She noticed that the man had agonal breathing and a	ı
thready pulse. D began CPR on the man, and when some officers	
arrived with an AED, she applied patches from the AED to the man's ches	st.
D helped put the man on a gurney and he was then taken into the	
hospital for further medical treatment.	

D stated that she did not see who was firing a gun during this incident and she did not have any further information.

End of report, M6050.



Case Number: 201880216.022 CAD Number:

Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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This report is written by Detective Alex Klabunde, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Squad 9226, early shift.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:15pm, Lt Kevin EYRE, instructed Det. Tyler KIRKVOLD (Squad 9228) and me to respond to a an officer involved shooting at the Milwaukee Veterans Affairs Hospital, 5000 W National Av.

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INTERVIEW OF JON FREDACH



End of report, M6050.

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Upon my arrival, I was instructed by Lt. EYRE to conduct witness interviews. I learned that J F was identified as a potential witness to this incident. I then interviewed F

Interview of J F
F stated that he was employed at the Milwaukee V.A. Hospital as a registered nurse. He stated that he lived at and provided a phone number of F stated that he began his shift on 7-6-20 at 11:30am and he was leaving work at 8:50pm.
stated that before he left the hospital he was in the break room when he heard multiple gunshots being fired outside. F then walked out of the hospital's ambulance bay and observed several police officers standing in the front drive near the east hospital entrance.
V.A. Police Lt. TRIPP then yelled to F' for help. F. ran over to the officers and observed a black male, in his 20's, 5'10, thin build, with dreadlocks lying on the hospital driveway with a shotgun with no stock on the ground approximately 10 feet southeast of his head.
stated that a female nurse was already rendering aid to this man. The female nurse advised F that the man had a thready pulse, and noticed that the man had agonal breathing. The female nurse started CPR on the man and F eventually took over CPR before the man was moved into the hospital.
stated that none of the officers informed him what happened to his man, and he did not see the man's injuries.



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**CAD Number:** 

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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This report is written by Police Officer Russell EWERT, assigned to the Fusion Division-Crime Gun Intelligence Center as a Forensic Technology Certified IBIS Technician. I was certified by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) as an IBIS technician on April 14, 2016. I also successfully completed the Basic Correlation Review Training with the ATF on January 17, 2019.

IBIS stands for Integrated Ballistics Identification System, which is part of the National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN).

#### Incident:

Incident #: 20-188-0216 (M6050)

Type of Crime: Officer Involved Shooting

Inventory #:

Item #:

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These findings are based on IBIS/NIBIN training and the findings are highly probable. MPD IBIS/NIBIN technicians are NOT Firearms and Tool Mark Examiners. These findings by MPD IBIS/NIBIN technicians MUST be confirmed by Firearms and Tool Mark Examiners of the Wisconsin State Crime Lab (WSCL) for court testimony purposes.



Case Number: 201880216.024 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

#### Narrative

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INTERVIEW OF LT JOSEPH TRIPP

This report is being written by **Detective Lori ROM**, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift.

On Monday, July 6, 2020, **Det. William SCHROEDER** (Squad 9231) and I, along with other Milwaukee Police Detectives, were dispatched to an Officer Involved Fatal Shooting, located at 5000 W National Ave, in the City and County of Milwaukee. There were two officers that shot and they were identified as **Glenn L STRITCHKO (W/M,** and **Joseph S TRIPP (W/M,** The deceased was identified as **Joseph W DENTON (B/M, 01/05/1985)**.

Upon my arrival, Det. SCHROEDER and I were instructed to conduct the officer involved interviews. Det. SCHROEDER and I met Lt. Joseph S TRIPP in an office located at the VA. Det. SCHROEDER and I introduced ourselves to Lt. TRIPP and asked him if he was willing to speak to us regarding what occurred. Lt. TRIPP requested an attorney at that time.

On Friday, July 10, 2020, I went to 1509 N Prospect and met with Attorney Jane CHRISTOPHERSON and her client, Lt. Joseph TRIPP. Lt. TRIPP was prepared to make his statement regarding the incident that occurred on Monday, July 6th

Lt. TRIPP has been working with the VA since February 23, 2003. His normal shift hours for Monday July 6, 2020 were 6:00pm until 2:00am. Lt. TRIPP has a badge number of 967. Lt. TRIPP stated he was off on Sunday June 30, 2020 and fell asleep that night around 10:30pm or 11:00pm. Lt. TRIPP woke up around 8:30am or 9:00am on Monday, July 1, 2020. Lt. TRIPP stated he did some errands around the house and then laid back down for a nap around 11:30am and slept until 3:30pm. Once Lt. TRIPP woke up from his nap, he spent time with the family, ate dinner, and headed

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to work.

Once Lt. TRIPP arrived at work, he was informed he had a new office that was ready and he went to go look at the new office. Lt. TRIPP stated he was rearranging things and then had a meeting with his operations team. This meeting is a normal meeting that is had so that everyone at the VA is aware of current events at the VA. Once the meeting was over, he went back to his office and was reviewing entries that previous shifts had entered, made some phone calls, and went over journals. While he was in his office conducting his normal duties, he heard Sgt. BROWN over the radio yell for all officers to come to the east entrance, 10-18 (ASAP), there is a man with a gun.

Lt. TRIPP exited out of the east doors and observed PO THORN was behind him once he exited outside. Lt. TRIPP immediately saw Sgt. BROWN with his firearm aimed in a southern direction and ordering the suspect to "put it down" multiple times. At this point, Lt. TRIPP stated he was approximately 5 to 7 feet from Sgt. BROWN'S rear left side. When he got to this position, he observed the suspect as a black male, long braids, white t-shirt, jeans, armed with what he believed to be a sawed off shotgun. At this point more officers were outside and everyone was yelling at the subject to put the gun down.

Lt. TRIPP observed PO THORN to try and go in front of him, however, Lt. TRIPP told PO THORN to grab cover. PO THORN complied. Lt. TRIPP stated at some point the suspect put the gun down on the ground and was backing away from the firearm with his hands in the air. At this point, Lt. TRIPP and other officers started to walk closer to the suspect. The suspect then went back to the firearm and picked it up. Lt TRIPP and the other officers started to disengage to distance themselves from the suspect.

As Lt. TRIPP was disengaging, he observed PO STRITCHKO by the pillar across from the east entrance with his firearm drawn at the suspect. Lt. TRIPP informed PO STRITCHKO that he was going to run past him and he did. As he was repositioning himself, he observed the suspect was now fanning the firearm at multiple officers and yelling back at the officers to put down their weapons.



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Lt. TRIPP observed a lady in an SUV parked just east of the front entrance. Lt. TRIPP informed that lady to stay in her vehicle and to get down. Lt. TRIPP continued through the parking lot and went behind a maroon minivan that was parked. Lt. TRIPP was now adjacent to Sgt. BROWN and believed he was approximately 20-25 feet away from him. Once Lt. TRIPP was in a safe position, he observed the suspect to continue to aim the shotgun at all the officers. He further observed that Sgt. BROWN was pinned between the suspect and the building and the suspect was not far from the building.

At this point, Lt. TRIPP thought that his life was in danger along with the other officers that the suspect was pointing his firearm at. Lt. TRIPP realized the suspect was not obeying their verbal commands and knew for the safety of everyone he had to take a shot. Lt. TRIPP shot at the suspect and the suspect immediately turned towards him with the firearm pointing at him. Lt. TRIPP stated he shot one more time at the suspect and at the same time, he heard a gunshot come from where PO STRITCHKO was standing. Lt. TRIPP stated he was informed he was missing three rounds out of his firearm, however, he does not remember taking a third shot.

At the time that PO STRITCHKO and himself fired, the suspect then fell to the ground. All the officers neared the suspect and he observed Sgt. BROWN either kick the shotgun away from the suspect or grab it. Lt. TRIPP remembers that Sgt. BROWN did clear the shotgun and informed everyone that it was fully loaded.

PO THORN was going to handcuff the suspect, however, the officers turned the suspect over and observed blood coming from the suspect. A AED was called and a nurse came over and started to do CPR and work on the suspect. As medical was occurring on the suspect, another officer took PO STRITCHKO and Lt. TRIPP into the VA and had them wait in separate areas until the Milwaukee Police Department arrived.

End of Report.



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POLICE REPORT

Case Number: 201880216.025

**CAD Number:** 

Report Type: Supplemental Report Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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Title INTERVIEW OF ALEXIS ZAMBON		

This report is written by Detective Alexander Klabunde, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Squad 9226, early shift.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:15pm, Lt Kevin EYRE, instructed Det. Tyler KIRKVOLD (Squad 9228) and me to respond to a an officer involved shooting at the Milwaukee Veterans Affairs Hospital, 5000 W National Av.

Upon my arrival, I was instructed by Lt. EYRE to conduct witness interviews. I learned that A was identified as a potential Z.

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witness to this incident. I then interviewed Z.

Intervie	w of A	Z

- Z. stated that she was employed at the Milwaukee V.A. Hospital as a registered nurse. Z stated that she lived at and she provided a phone number of
- z stated that at approximately 8:43pm, she was returning to the hospital from her lunch break. Z was walking west towards the east hospital entrance along a walkway to the south of a parking structure. As she approached the hospital, she observed a black male, 5'8, thin build, approximately 40 years old, wearing a white t-shirt and dark pants, armed with a black handgun.
- z stated that this man was pointing the gun in the air when she first saw him. Z then observed PO STRITCHKO come out of the hospital entrance with his gun drawn. Two other Police officers followed after PO STRITCHKO. Z then heard the officers yelling "Get down! Drop the gun!"

Fearing for her safety, Z turned away and started running north. She went behind the parking structure and then heard 4 gunshots. Z waited approximately 10 minutes before walking out from behind the parking structure. Z then went back into the hospital.

End of report, M6050.



Case Number: 201880216.026

**CAD Number:** 

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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Title INTERVIEW OF JUSTIN ARREDONDO		-

This report is written by Detective Alexander Klabunde, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Squad 9226, early shift.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:15pm, Lt Kevin EYRE, instructed Det. Tyler KIRKVOLD (Squad 9228) and me to respond to a an officer involved shooting at the Milwaukee Veterans Affairs Hospital, 5000 W National Av.

Upon my arrival, I was instructed by Lt. EYRE to conduct witness interviews. I learned that J A was identified as a potential witness to this incident. I then interviewed A

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# Interview of J A

A stated that he was employed at the Milwaukee V.A. Hospital as a nursing assistant. He stated that he lived at and he provided a phone number of A stated that on 7-6-20, he started his shift at 3:30pm, and he was scheduled to end his shift at 12:00am on 7-7-20.
A stated that at approximately 8:45pm, he was on a break, smoking a cigarette near W National Av, to the south of the east hospital entrance. A started walking back to the east hospital entrance when he heard somebody yell "help!" A. then observed a black male in his late 20's to middle 30's, 6'2, thin build, 6" dreadlocks or braids, wearing a white shirt and gray pants, sitting on a bench to the west of a Milwaukee County Transit System bus stop.
stated that as he approached this man, the pulled out a long silver or gray gun from his side, while stating "I'm not going to shoot you."  A stated that he put his hands in the air and walked away from the man. This man did not say anything else to A.
then walked back to the east hospital entrance and told someone in a beige shirt that there was a man with a gun outside.  Then went back to the unit he was working at on the 9th floor of the hospital.
End of report, M6050.



Case Number: 201880216.027 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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This report is written by Detective Alexander Klabunde, assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit, Squad 9226, early shift.

On Wednesday, July 8th, 2020, I received a DVD from the West Milwaukee P.D. that contained an 4 body worn camera video files, a telephone audio file, and a radio audio file. The following files were contained within this DVD:

- -20-004568 Phone Audio
- -20-004568 Radio
- -20-004568 Makouske 1
- -20-004568\_Munoz\_1
- -20-004568\_Munoz\_2
- -20-004568\_Roth\_1

I observed that the video files captured three West Milwaukee P.D. officers' response to the officer involved shooting that occurred at the V.A. Hospital, 5000 W National Av, on 7-6-20. The shooting had already occurred by the time the West Milwaukee P.D. officers arrived on the scene.

I placed this DVD on inventory #20023769 as item #1.

End of report, M6050.



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POLICE REPORT

Case Number: 201880216.028 **CAD Number:** 

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This report was written by Detective Tyler KIRKVOLD assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift, Squad 9228.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:18 Lt Kevin EYRE requested that my partner, Detective Alexander KLABUNDE, and I respond to the Milwaukee VA Medical Center located at 5000 W National Ave for an officer involved shooting. Upon our arrival I was briefed the preliminary details of the incident by Squad 3211, Sgt Paul BJORKQUIST. I was informed that members of the VA Police Department encountered a subject identified as Joseph W. DENTON (b/m 01-05-85) who was armed with a shotgun outside of the E.R. entrance. Officers ultimately fired at DENTON and he was struck two times. DENTON died as a result of these injuries. I was informed that several witnesses were standing by waiting to speak with detectives. Detective KLABUNDE and I were tasked with conducting witness interviews.

Interview of D

I located N waiting in the front entrance of the E.R. N agreed to speak with me outside in front of the E.R. however after the interview began, I was informed that there was a private office that we could speak in, so the remainder of the interview was conducted there. The entire interview was recorded using a handheld digital recorder. The interview was later burned to compact disc and placed on Milwaukee Police Department Inventory #20023636 #3. The following is only a summary of the interview that took place. In order to hear the interview in its entirety, refer to the aforementioned disc.

N informed me that he is employed at the VA Hospital as the "East Entrance Lead" and he is the supervisor of the employees that work in the COVID screening area outside of the entrance. His work hours on this day were from 2:00pm to 10:30pm.

At the time of this incident he was sitting at the computer desk, inside of the E.R. entrance when he heard someone say there was a man with a gun. Just then he saw three or four officers ran out of the VA Police Department and out of the E.R. to the parking lot. He got up and went to the windows at the entrance to look outside and see what was going on. He looked to the right (south) and observed officers with their guns out, pointing them at a subject standing in the driveway leading to the E.R. entrance. He described this subject as an adult black male, unknown age, average height, medium to skinny build,



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unknown hair, believed he was wearing a hat, wearing a white shirt. This subject was holding a "long gun shaped object" holding it across his chest in the "port arms" position.

N	heard muffled voices outside, talk	ing loudly back and forth. The only thing he could make
out wa	s officers saying "Drop the gun". N	then moved behind one of the concrete columns,
but cou	uld still see the suspect. He then eventually	moved his entire body behind the column, and could
		rd three to five gunshots. After the shooting stopped, he
waited	a couple of seconds and then looked out a	again through the window. He now observed the suspec
	on the ground in the driveway. N	stated the suspect was much closer to the hospital
than w	hen he last saw him, prior to him moving b	ehind the column. He saw officers around the subject
and ob	served one of the officers kick something a	away from the subject. Other officers were searching the
subject	t and placing him in handcuffs.	

At this time N stated he was still inside of the entryway. There was an officer and a nurse standing near him. The nurse kept asking if it was safe to go outside. Eventually the officer confirmed that it was and the nurse ran outside and began CPR on the subject. Other officers were calling for medical assistance. N then checked on his employees that were to his left, or north, of the E.R. entrance. He observed one of his employees, "J outside still, coming toward him. N then moved further into the Hospital so medical staff could have room coming in and out. N remained there until I came to speak with him.

After the conclusion of the interview N directed me to the area where he made his observations of the incident from. This area was in the E.R. entrance, and he indicated that he was looking out of the window on the south side of the entrance. I observed that from this area he had a clear view south, down the driveway, to where the suspect would have been standing. Photos were later taken from this area to depict his point of view.

End of Report.

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This report is written by Detective Shaun LESNIEWSKI assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit.

On 7-11-2020 I received a disc containing video from the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) related to the homicide of Joseph W. DENTON, B/M, 1-5-

Reporting Officer: Lesniewski, Shaun R 015490



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1985 (M6050). The incident took place on the VA Hospital grounds, 5000 W. National Ave. The disc was from K F the Mobile Safety and Security Analyst for MCTS. The disc contained video from two different buses for MCTS prior to the shooting. I reviewed the following bus video:

#### Bus 5454-

There are 3 camera views provided from this bus:

- 1. Windshield
- 2. Curb side
- 3. Street side

Upon reviewing the video the following can be observed:

8:43:00pm- Bus 5454 pulls off National Av. into the VA Hospital grounds and goes west

8:43:29pm- A B/M wearing a white t-shirt and blue jeans is observed on the windshield camera sitting on a bench to the north of the bus. It appears the subject is holding a long black object. This can be observed in camera view 1 and 2.

#### Bus 5352-

There are 3 camera views provided for this bus-

- Windshield
- 2. Fare box
- Street side

Upon reviewing this video the following can be observed:

8:43:31pm- Bus pulls into the VA lot

8:43:49pm- VA employee in blue scrubs is standing in the roadway. A B/M is observed to the north of the bus standing by a bench (same bench this subject was sitting on in the video from bus 5454). The B/M is wearing a white shirt and blue jeans.

8:43:55pm- In the Street side camera view the B/M is seen faced away from the



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bus. When the B/M turns toward the bus it appears he is holding a long black object with both hands and the object extends across his torso.

8:44:16pm- The B/M begins to walk north in the lot towards the VA building. The bus continues east and then video ends.

The original disc provided was placed on inventory #20024031.

End of report.



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This supplement report was typed by **Detective Rodolfo ALVARADO**, assigned to the Homicide Division, early shift.

On Tuesday, July 7, 2020., I was assigned to squad 9220. On that date, I conducted follow up regarding the following incident:

Officer-Involved Shooting, M6050, Occurred 7/06/2020 at 5000 W. National Ave.

Reporting Officer: Alvarado, Rodolfo 013909



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Victim: DENTON, Joseph W. (M/B, 01/05/1985).

Officer Involved in the incident:

Veteran Affairs Police Officer Glenn STRITCHKO

Veteran Affairs Lt. Joseph STRIPP

Veteran Affairs Officer Christopher THORN Veteran Affairs Sgt. BROWN

During the investigation, it was determined that Lt. STRIPP shot at **DENTON**, shooting in a west direction. Officer STRITCHKO also shot at **DENTON**, shooting in a southern direction. Officer THORN was south of **DENTON**. Sgt. BROWN was northwest of **DENTON** when the shooting occurred.

The follow up consisted of placing the surveillance video on inventory and documenting the video. It should be noted that the surveillance video was downloaded by **A K** and was turned over to **Lt. Shalonda TARVER** who gave the surveillance video to me to place on inventory. On that date, I proceeded to place the CD containing the surveillance video on Milwaukee Police Inventory # 20023650. I then proceeded to review the surveillance video. I observed that the CD contained two cameras. The room top camera and the ambulance entrance camera.

#### **Rooftop Camera**

7/6/2020 8:38:48 p.m.- The camera comes into camera view. The camera shows a Milwaukee County Bus traveling westbound on the street.

7/6/2020 8:38:54 p.m.- The Milwaukee County Bus goes out of camera view.

7/6/2020 8:39:35 p.m.- A Milwaukee County Bus enters into camera view traveling eastbound on the street.

7/6/2020 8:39:44 p.m.- **DENTON** comes into camera view walking northbound on the sidewalk. **DENTON** is wearing a white shirt and black stonewashed pants.

It should be noted that the cameras are motion activated. The camera skipped and jumped to the next time.

7/6/2020 8:41:14 p.m.- The camera comes back on. The camera shows Officer STRITCHKO standing behind a pillar of the awning. Officer STRITCHKO appears to have his handgun out and is pointing it in a south direction. Lt STRIPP is standing on the sidewalk just south of the awning. Lt. STRIPP is pointing his handgun in a south direction. Officer THORN is standing on the east side of the bus shelter. Officer THORN has his gun drawn and is pointing in the gun in a western direction. **DENTON** is on the grassy area west of the bus shelter.

7/6/2020 8:41:18 p.m.- Lt. STRIPP who was standing on the sidewalk just south of the awning starts backing up. The surveillance camera is moved at which time Sgt. BROWN comes into camera view. Sgt. BROWN is standing on the west sidewalk south of the awning. Sgt. BROWN is standing behind a sign. Sgt. BROWN has his handgun drawn and is pointing his gun in a south direction toward **DENTON** who is still in the grassy area, kneeled behind a light pole.

7/6/2020 8:41:24 p.m.- The camera zooms in on **DENTON** who is still kneeled on the grassy area.



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**DENTON** gets up and gets closer to the light pole. **DENTON** is armed with a black shotgun and is pointing the shotgun in a north direction. **DENTON** has his right hand on the shotgun pistol-style grip (It should be noted that the shotgun did not have a stock). **DENTON** has his left hand on the forearm of the shotgun.

7/6/2020 8:41:39 p.m.- **DENTON** points the gun in a northeast direction.

7/6/2020 8:41:42 p.m.- **DENTON** point the shotgun in a north direction, and appears to be holding the gun in a low position.

7/6/2020 8:41:48 p.m. - **DENTON** raises the shotgun up and points the gun in an east direction, toward Officer THORN who is standing behind the bus shelter.

7/6/2020 8:41:47 p.m.- **DENTON** points the shotgun in a northeast direction.

7/6/2020 8:42:10 p.m.- **DENTON** proceeds to walk northbound on the grassy area, with the shotgun in his hands.

7/6/2020 8:42:20 p.m.- **DENTON** reaches the end of the grassy area. **DENTON** stops, raises the shotgun, and points the shotgun in a northwest direction.

7/6/2020 8:42:33 p.m.- **DENTON** proceeds to walk onto the street and starts to walk northbound while pointing the shotgun north. Officer THORN comes into camera view, walking westbound on the sidewalk, past the bus shelter. **DENTON** continues to walk northbound on the street. Officer THORN proceeds to walk northbound onto the grassy area and stands behind the light pole.

7/6/2020 8:42:45 p.m.- The camera is moved, the camera shows **DENTON** walking in the middle of the street while pointing the gun in a north direction. Lt. STRIPP comes into camera view and is standing behind a vehicle that's parked in the parking lot east of the street. Lt. STRIPP still has his gun drawn and is pointed toward **DENTON**.

7/6/2020 8:42:49 p.m.- The camera zooms out. The camera shows Officer STRITCHKO still standing behind the pillar with his handgun drawn. Lt. STRIPP is standing behind a black vehicle that's parked in the parking lot located east of the street. Officer THORN is standing on the grassy area behind a light pole. Sgt. Brown is standing behind a bush/planters that' located on the west sidewalk just south of the awning. **DENTON** is south of the awning and south of Officer STRITCHKO and Sgt. BROWN and is walking in the middle of the street. **DENTON** is walking northbound in the middle of the street with the shotgun raised and pointing it in a north direction.

7/6/2020 8:42:59 p.m.- The camera zooms in on **DENTON**. The video shows **DENTON** walking northbound and proceeds to point the gun in a northwest direction, toward Sgt. BROWN, who was standing behind the bush/planter. **DENTON** proceeds to walk toward Sgt. BROWN while pointing the gun toward him. **DENTON** then stops, turns east, and proceeds to turn east and points the shotgun toward Lt. STRIPP.

7/6/2020 8:43:11 p.m.- **DENTON** starts walking east toward Lt. STRIPP while pointing the shotgun toward him (eastern direction).

7/6/2020 8:43:14 p.m.- The subject then blades his body and faces south, and proceeds to walk south while holding the shotgun out to his left, pointing the gun east at Lt. STRIPP.



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7/6/2020 8:43:19 p.m.- **DENTON** falls to the ground, drops the shotgun. **DENTON** lands on the ground in a supine position with his head pointing southeast and his feet pointing northwest, with his face facing southwest.

7/6/2020 8:43:24 p.m.- Sgt. BROWN, Officer THORN, Officer STRITCHKO, and Lt. STRIPP proceed to approach **DENTON**. Officer THORN grabs the shotgun and slides it away from **DENTON**. Officer THORN grabs **DENTON** from 1 arm and appears to turn him over onto his stomach. It should be noted that the camera skipped to the next listed time.

7/6/2020 8:45:16 p.m. - The camera shows medical personal performing CPR on the subject, and shows additional Officers arrive on the scene.

7/6/2020 8:46:16 p.m.- Additional medical personal comes out of the hospital, 2 of the medical personal have a gurney.

7/6/2020 8:47:13 p.m.- The subject is placed on the gurney and is push the subject into the hospital.

#### **Ambulance Bay**

7/6/2020 8:38:53 p.m.- **DENTON** comes into camera view. Denton's head can be seen by the bush. A Milwaukee County Bus comes into camera view, traveling westbound.

7/6/2020 8:39:04 p.m.- **DENTON** gets up. **DENTON** has a black shotgun in his hands. **DENTON** raises the shotgun and points it in a southwest direction.

7/6/2020 8:39:12 P.m.- A subject wearing blue scrubs comes into camera view walking northbound in the ambulance entrance. **DENTON** is still behind the bus and is looking west in a northwest direction. The subject wearing the scrubs turns around and tries to flag down a bus that is traveling eastbound. **DENTON** points the shotgun at the subject wearing the blue scrubs.

7/6/2020 8:39:18 p.m.- The subject in the blue scrubs turns back north and continues to walk northbound in the ambulance entrance. **DENTON** continues to point the shotgun at the subject as the subject is walking.

7/6/2020 8:39:27 p.m.- **DENTON** then turns and is looking northbound.

7/6/2020 8:39:38 p.m.- **DENTON** proceeds to walk northeast out of camera view.

Report per Detective Rodolfo ALVARADO.

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Property Title Shotgun			
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Quantity	Manufacturer	Model	Color Black
Firearm Type Shotgun	Gun Action	Caliber	Barrel Length
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It was determined after briefing that Detective Alvarado and I would conduct the scene investigation. While on scene I also conducted the interview of Sergeant Brian Brown (VA Police Department) regarding the incident.



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#### Scene Investigation

Squads on Scene

Milwaukee Police Department

Detective James Jordan (Squad 9229)

Detective Rodolfo Alvarado (Squad 9220)

Detective Lori Rom (Squad 9230)

Detective William Schroeder (Squad 9231)

Detective Alexander Klabunde (Squad 9226)

Detective Tyler Kirkvold (Squad 9228)

**Detective Michael Flannery (Squad 9246)** 

Sergeant Paul Bjorkquist (Squad 3211)

Sergeant Michael Pelnar (Squad 3215)

Sergeant Derek Kitts (Squad 5412)

Police Officer Lydia Rivera-Holey (Squad 3465)

Police Officer Taylor Zube (Squad 3465)

Police Officer Austin Domagalski (Squad 3283)

Police Officer Matthew Link (Squad 3283)

Police Officer Lacarlin Davis (Squad 3251)

Police Officer Andrew Gallenberg (Squad 3251)

Police Officer Lamar Denton (Squad 3440)

Police Officer Jonathan Steinburg (Squad 3440)



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Police Officer Margaret Devito (Squad 3241)

Police Officer Dexter Lee (Squad 3241)

Police Officer Taylor Carloni (Squad 3230)

Police Officer Nicholas Carstedt (Squad 3230)

Police Officer Stephen Dombrowski (Squad 3257)

Police Officer Allan Tenhaken (Squad 3257)

Police Officer Joshua Kranz (Squad 3284)

Police Officer Jeffrey Jopp (Squad 3281)

Police Officer Alexander Verreault (Squad 3281)

Forensic Investigator Peter Ulatowski (Squad 1824)

Forensic Investigator Jonathan Jenkins (Squad 1825)

West Milwaukee Police Department

Police Officer Brandon Makouske (Squad 8)

Sergeant Tony Munoz

VA Police

Lieutenant Joseph Tripp

Sergeant Brian Brown

Police Officer Glenn Stritchko

Police Officer Ryan Becht

Police Officer Christopher Thorn

Medical Examiner



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### Hillary Donald

# Scene Description

The scene of this incident was the VA Hospital which is located at the address of 5000 W National Avenue. At the time of the incident it was nightfall and the temperature per accuweather was 82 degrees Fahrenheit. The scene was illuminated by several different light poles in the area of the scene. The VA campus has its own street names within and this incident took place on Ambulance Way. Ambulance Way is a paved road the runs to the north and then to the east. On the most northern part of the road is where the entrance for the ER is located. To the east of the road is a parking lot.

Evidence was located in the following locations:

- (3) Silver FC luger 9mm casings were located in the parking lot
- (2) Silver FC luger 9mm casings were located on northern portion of Ambulance Way.
- (1) A Silver Bullet fragment was located on the sidewalk west of Ambulance Way
- (1) A Silver Bullet fragment was located on the east outer wall of the hospital

A Black Mossberg 12 GA Shotgun was located on Ambulance Way (along with the 3 black 12 GA shotgun shells).

After all of the evidence on the scene was located it was decided that the Wisconsin State Crime Lab would take over the scene investigation. Crime Response Program Chief Chris Johnson and Crime Response Team Leader James Armstrong responded to the scene and took over the investigation.

Forensic Investigator Ulatowski and Forensic Investigator Jenkins both



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responded to the scene and assisted with processing the scene and filed supplemental reports regarding.

Crime Response Program Chief Chris Johnson stated that he located the following evidence on the person of the victim in this incident:

A pair of Black and Gold Air Jordan shoes

A black sock

A pair of Diamond Stash Jeans

A brown belt

A key fob

(3) Black 12 GA shotgun shells

Crime Response Program Chief Chris Johnson recovered all of the aforementioned items of evidence and packaged them on scene. Crime Response Program Chief Chris Johnson then provided Detective Alvarado with a Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Law Enforcement receipt which displayed all of the items recovered. The receipt was signed by Crime Response Program Chief Chris Johnson showing he was turning over the property to the Milwaukee Police Department and Detective Alvarado signed the receipt showing the Milwaukee Police Department received the property.

Detective Michael Flannery was with the victim inside of the hospital throughout the duration of the investigation. See Detective Flannery's supplemental report regarding the Medical Examiner's investigation and transport.

Before leaving the scene of the investigation copies of the Milwaukee Police Department Public Safety Statement forms were provided to us. The statements were from Police Officer Stritchko and Lieutenant Tripp. The forms were signed by Sergeant Paul Bjorkquist. After taking



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custody of all of the evidence Detective Alvarado and I then conveyed the evidence to the Police Administration Building. While at the Police Administration Building Detective Alvarado and I placed the recovered items on Milwaukee Police Department Inventory # 20023518. Detective Alvarado and I did not manipulate the evidence packaging in any way while placing it on inventory.

I then conveyed the Mossberg Shotgun to the Forensics section for processing.

End of report.



Case Number: 201880216.032 CAD Number:

Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

#### **Narrative**

Title

Interview of Sergeant Brian Brown

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### Interview of Sergeant Brian Brown

I conducted the interview of Sergeant Brown in the break-room of the VA Police Department. Sergeant Brown stated that his badge # is 1867. Sergeant Brown stated that he started as an Officer for the VA Police

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Department in 2004. Sergeant Brown stated that he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2016. Sergeant Brown stated that his normal work shift is 6:00 pm-6:00 am. At the time of the interview of Sergeant Brown he was wearing a full VA Police Department uniform.

Sergeant Brown stated that before he arrived to work on the date of the incident he did not consume any alcoholic beverages or consume any narcotics. Sergeant Brown stated that he usually sleeps for 6-8 hours a night. Sergeant Brown stated that on the date of this incident he woke up at 4:00 pm. Sergeant Brown stated that he ate and then arrived at work at 5:30 pm.

Sergeant Brown stated that when he arrived at work he checked in and then went to the armory. Sergeant Brown stated that he went to the armory to retrieve his department issued firearm and ammunition. Sergeant Brown stated that within the armory he has a locker and he has a key to the locker which he uses to access his firearm. Sergeant Brown stated that he loaded 3 magazine with 15 rounds of 9 mm ammunition. Sergeant Brown stated that he loaded one the magazines into his firearm. Sergeant Brown stated that it is a department policy that they do not take the department issued firearms home. Sergeant Brown stated that when his shift is over he unloads his firearm and all of the magazines and place them inside of his locker located inside of the armory.

Sergeant Brown stated that he then went to the break-room to attend a pre-shift briefing. Sergeant Brown stated that he worked with the following Officers on his shift the night of this incident:

Police Officer Christopher Thorn

Police Officer Ryan Becht

Police Officer Glenn Stritchko

Lieutenant Joseph Tripp



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Sergeant Brown stated that Police Officer Thorn and he work inside of the building conducting all of the checks on the floors that need to be conducted and any other problems that may arise. Sergeant Brown stated that he is also responsible for giving assignments to the Officers. Sergeant Brown stated that Police Officer Becht is a new Officer and was shadowing him and Thorn on the night of the incident. Sergeant Brown stated that Police Officer Stritchko works outside patrol and Lieutenant Tripp oversees the entire shift.

Sergeant Brown stated that his first assignment on his shift was going to check out a problem with the south door. Sergeant Brown stated that after the briefing he conducted a check of the first floor of building 70 with Police Officer Thorn. Sergeant Brown stated that he then returned to operations. Sergeant Brown stated that while in operations he received a text message from J D . Sergeant Brown stated that D works at the location as a nurse and he walks her to her vehicle when she leaves the location. Sergeant Brown stated that he met up with D outside of operation and walked out of the ER entrance of the building.

Sergeant Brown stated that as he and D walked out of the building he heard someone yelling for help. Sergeant Brown stated that he observed a black male mid 30's, dark complexion, long dreadlocks, 508, slim build, wearing a white T-shirt, long shorts armed with a pistol grip shotgun. This subject was later identified to be Denton. Sergeant Brown stated he observed an employee of the VA walking in the same area of the Denton. Sergeant Brown stated that the suspect pointed the gun in the direction of the employee but the employee continued to walk toward Sergeant Brown. Sergeant Brown stated that as the employee walked past him toward the ER entrance he stated that Denton had a gun. Sergeant Brown stated he drew his weapon and began to approach Denton. Sergeant Brown stated that he made a radio transmission describing what was happening and the description of



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#### Denton.

Sergeant Brown stated he began to verbally communicate with Denton telling him to put the gun down so the he could help him. Sergeant Brown stated that he observed Police Officer Thorn standing to the east of the Denton with his weapon drawn and pointing toward the Denton. Sergeant Brown stated that Police Thorn was standing behind the bus shelter. Sergeant Brown stated that he was the only one verbalizing with Denton during the incident, to the best of his knowledge. Sergeant Brown stated he was standing near a sign which provided him partial concealment.

Sergeant Brown stated Denton was standing near the bus shelter and just north of the bus shelter was a small hill. Sergeant Brown stated that he continued to tell Denton to drop the gun and Denton did drop the gun. Sergeant Brown stated he then verbalized to the Denton to move away from the gun so that he could help him. Sergeant Brown stated Denton bent down toward the gun as if he was going to pick it up and then stood back up without picking the gun up at this time. Sergeant Brown stated that Denton performed this motion several more times before he actually did pick the gun up. Sergeant Brown stated that after Denton picked the gun up he began to walk up the small hill just north of the bus shelter. Sergeant Brown stated Denton stumbled while coming up the hill. Sergeant Brown stated that he then moved to take cover behind a planter.

Sergeant Brown stated he continued to verbalize to Denton to put the gun down, Sergeant Brown stated he heard Denton repeatedly state that, "I'm going to kill you nigga." Sergeant Brown stated Denton was holding the gun with one hand at this point. Sergeant Brown stated that Denton was pointing the gun at him and then Denton pivoted and pointed the gun at Lieutenant Tripp who was standing to the east of him. Sergeant Brown stated Denton was stating the same thing" I'm going to kill you" to Lieutenant Tripp. Sergeant Brown stated Denton did the



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pivoting action several more times. Sergeant Brown stated that even though Denton was pointing the gun at Lieutenant Tripp and him, he did not fire at him for the following reasons: Police Officer Thorn was in his line of fire, he observed that Denton's finger was on the trigger guard, not on the trigger at all and he was holding the gun with one hand.

Sergeant Brown stated that the last time that he observed Denton pivot toward Lieutenant Tripp, Denton put two hands on the gun. Sergeant Brown stated that it looks as if Denton tried to pull the trigger because Denton braced himself as if he was expecting a recoil or anticipating a shot. Sergeant Brown stated he then heard two shots coming from the area where Lieutenant Tripp was standing. Sergeant Brown stated he observed one of the fired rounds appear to hit either Denton or the ground because it caused the suspect to lift he leg and slightly turn his body. Sergeant Brown stated that Denton was still holding the gun toward Lieutenant Tripp when he heard two additional shots come from the area that Officer Stritchko was standing, which was to the northeast of him. Sergeant Brown stated he then observed Denton fall to the ground.

Sergeant Brown stated that he and Police Officer Thorn moved toward Denton. Sergeant Brown stated Police Officer Thorn began to handcuff Denton. Sergeant Brown stated he observed a gunshot wound near the shoulder area of the suspect so he instructed Police Thorn not to handcuff Denton. Sergeant Brown stated that D called out to him from the entrance of the ER and ask if he needed someone to provide medical assistance and he stated that he did. Sergeant Brown stated that D and several other members of the medical staff came to render aid to Denton. Sergeant Brown stated that he instructed Police Officer Becht to get an AED.

Sergeant Brown stated Police Officer Thorn moved the shotgun from the Denton's hand before attempting to handcuff him. Sergeant Brown stated once it was safe to do so he unload the shotgun.



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Sergeant Brown stated that he did not discharge his firearm during the incident. I counted Sergeant Brown's ammunition during the interview. Sergeant Brown had two magazines loaded with 15 rounds ammunition. Sergeant Brown removed a magazine from his firearm which contained 14 9 mm rounds of ammunition and Sergeant Brown ejected one round 9 mm round from the chamber. All of Sergeant Brown rounds were accounted for.

End of report.



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Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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Reporting Officer: Kirkvold, Tyler J 018547



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This report was written by Detective Tyler KIRKVOLD assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift, Squad 9228.

On Monday, July 6th, 2020 at approximately 9:18 Lt Kevin EYRE requested that my partner, Detective Alex KLABUNDE, and I respond to the Milwaukee VA Medical Center located at 5000 W National Ave for an officer involved shooting. Upon our arrival I was briefed the preliminary details of the incident by Squad 3211, Sqt Paul BJORKQUIST. I was informed that members of the VA Police Department V k

encountered a subject identified as Joseph W. DEN FON (b/m 01-05-65) who was affiled with a shotgur
outside of the E.R. entrance. Officers ultimately fired at DENTON and he was struck two times. DENTO
died as a result of these injuries. I was informed that several witnesses were standing by waiting to specified
with detectives. Detective KLABUNDE and I were tasked with conducting witness interviews.

#### E.R. Nurse at VA Hospital

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Interview of C

as she was leaving the hospital upon completing her shift. I spoke with her outside of the E.R. entrance at the COVID screening tents. B informed me that she is an E.R. Charge Nurse at the VA Hospital. Her work hours on this day were from 11:30am to 12:00am.

informed me that she first became aware of this incident when a VA officer that was in plain clothes came into the E.R. and announced that there was a gunshot victim outside and he asked for an AED, B then followed the officer outside. Once outside she observed five or six officers standing around the patient, who was down on the ground, outside of the E.R. just outside of the overhang. As she , assisting the patient by doing chest approached the group she observed another nurse. "Jo compressions. She observed the patient having agonal breathing, and he was unconscious. She observed blood on his forehead and right nostril. Another nurse, "L ", brought out a stretcher. They all lifted the patient on to the stretcher. B got on top of the victim and continued compressions as they rolled the patient in to the E.R. They took the patient in to E.R. Room #8 and continued to assist him. informed me that she observed a gunshot wound to his left center back, and to the inside of his left foot. She applied a bandage to his foot. She informed me that the victim was losing a lot of blood. They administered four units of blood and he bled out five liters of blood. Ultimately his heart rate slowed, and then stopped.

informed me that she never knew that the patient was shot by police when she began treating him. She didn't know the circumstances of the incident until hearing later what had happened. She never heard any gunshots as she was inside of the E.R. when the incident took place. I asked B saw a gun near the patient's body when he was still outside and she informed me that she did not. She also informed me that she had tunnel vision and was only focusing on assisting the patient.

В had no further information and the interview concluded.

End of report.

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Report Type: Supplemental Report Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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decided that they needed to return to the safety of the hospital.

towards the hospital entrance. M

stated that when the other employee walked past them, she



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M stated that they turned around and headed back to the main entrance. M stated that she continued to hear the man asking for help as they were walking. M stated that as they were re-entering the hospital, they passed several officers who were heading outside.

M stated that when they returned to the hospital, they went back to the elevator and back up to their floor. M stated that she did not hear any gunshots or observed what happened.

M stated that when she first observed the man outside, she felt bad for him and wanted to help him. M stated that thinking back now, if he wouldn't have been armed with the shotgun, she would have went over to him and talked with him. M stated that she could understand why the police shot him, because she also feared for her safety. M stated that she just wished there would have been a different outcome.

End of Report.

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This report was written by Detective Tyler KIRKVOLD assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift.

On Thursday, July 16th 2020 I was informed that there were additional witnesses to this incident, the officer involved shooting of Joseph W. DENTON (b/m 01-05-85) that occurred at the VA hospital located at 5000 W National Ave on July 6th, 2020 at 8:45pm. I was informed that these witnesses were contractors that were working at the hospital at the time of the incident. I was informed that these witnesses were currently at the VA Hospital working. My partner, Detective Alex KLABUNDE and I, along with Detective Michael TANEM and Detective Martin SAAVEDRA, went to that location and conducted interviews of them at approximately 6:15pm. Upon our arrival I located one of the witnesses, S

M in the E.R. area, waiting to speak with me. I conducted an interview of

in a private hallway area of the hospital.

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M. informed me that his first day working at the hospital was on the day of this incident, July 6th, 2020. He informed me that he is employed by Veteran's Electric as an Inside Wireman. On the day of this incident his hours were 4:30pm to 2:30am, however he ended his shift early at 10:30pm on this day, due to the incident occurring.

At the time of the incident he and his co-workers, D + D , K Y , and T T were all working on the 4th floor installing light fixtures in room 4146 and 4146A. While in that room, D called him over to the window and told him that something was going on outside. M informed me that he looked out the window could see the area south of the east entrance, the driveway, and the bus stop at the corner, on the south end of the driveway. He stated that he observed a black male, in his late 30s to early 40s, 5'07", 170 pounds, with a build that was "portly in the middle", wearing a hat and walking with a "gimp". This subject was holding a black shotgun with one hand, and it was pointed down at the ground, when he first observed him. The subject was at the end of the drive, near the bus stop at this time, moving toward the hospital, north up the drive. He observed two police officers. He recalled one of the officers being in the parking lot area, but stated they were approximately 20 feet from the armed subject.

M informed me that the windows were closed in the room he was in but he could still hear officer yelling "Stop moving forward" and "Put down the weapon". He stated that officers repeated this numerous times for approximately five minutes. Eventually the armed subject pointed his shotgun towards the officer that was in the parking lot area, he heard an officer command that the subject put the gun down one last time, and he didn't. Then M heard three or four gunshots. He then saw the armed subject fall to the ground. M immediately looked away, walked away from the window and did not see anything else.

M stated that he did not see who shot but believed in may have been the officer that was in the parking lot area, because that's where the subject was pointing the shotgun. A short while later he heard over the hospital intercom, someone calling a code for a medical emergency. M I informed me that he did not know any of the officers involved, nor did he know the armed subject. M I had no further information and the interview concluded.

After the interview concluded M and the other witnesses directed Detective SAAVEDRA and I to Room #4146 and 4146A. I observed this room to be a two office suite. Both offices had windows facing



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south. While look out of these windows I observed the drive leading up to the E.R. entrance where the incident occurred, and I could also see south of that area, to the bus stop.

End of report.

M6050



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Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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Reporting Officer: Tanem, Michael J 012879



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This report is written by Detective Michael TANEM assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift.

On 07/16/2020, I conducted follow-up on the Officer Involved Shooting (M6050) which occurred on 07/06/2020 at 8:45 PM, at the location of 5000 W. National Ave., at the Milwaukee Veteran's Hospital. The deceased suspect was identified as DENTON, Joseph W. M/B 01/05/1985.

The purpose of this follow-up was to interview was to interview T T T is a contractor that works for Veteran's Electric and was assigned to work at the Milwaukee Veteran's Hospital on the 6th of July.

I met with T at 5000 W. National Ave at 6:15p.m. on today's date.

T states that at approximately 8:45 p.m. he was on the 4th floor doing electrical work with Veteran 's Electric Company. While working a fellow employee by the name of D was on a ladder and looking out of a 4th floor window that overlooked the emergency room parking area. T states that D reported somebody was outside with a firearm. T states that he proceeded to the window and looked outside for approximately 2 or 3 seconds and he observed an individual who he describes as a;

#### SUSPECT DESCRIPTION

Black male, late twenties to early thirties, with a medium overall build. This individual was described as holding a shotgun and pointing it in several different directions. He further described this individual as wearing a white T-shirt, blue faded jeans, and possibly light blue athletic shoes. This person also had a dreadlocks hair style.

T stated after observing this individual for a couple of seconds he activated his camera phone and began to record this individual. While recording of this individual was occurring he could see this individual turning several times with a firearm and pointing it in different directions. T states he could hear yelling and thought it was possible that police were yelling at this armed individual. T stated that he turned his cell phone camera off after about 5 seconds. He states that approximately 3 or 4 seconds after turning off his cellphone camera he heard 3 to 5 gunshots and then he saw this individual to fall to the ground. T stated that he observed what he believed to be Law Enforcement Officers approaching this individual as he laid on the ground. As the officers moved in they moved the firearm away from this individual that was on the ground. T states that just moments after those officers approached this individual he observed medical people tending to this individual's medical needs.

When describing the shooting T states he did not observe Officers shooting their guns. He stated that by virtue of his vantage point he was not able to see the officers however after the shots were fired he did observe them approach this individual with their guns drawn.

Ti showed me a 5 second video clip that he had saved on his phone. It should be noted that this video clip was turned over to Detective Jeremiah Jack's earlier on on today's date of Thursday July 16.



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Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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This report was written by Detective Tyler KIRKVOLD assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Homicide Unit, Early Shift.

On Thursday, July 9, 2020 Detective Alex KLABUNDE and I met with the aunt of Joseph W. DENTON (b/m 01-05-85), I D at her residence,

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Upon our arrival there I D

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informed me that she had Joseph DENTON's cellular phone that

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#### Joseph DENTON's Cell Phone and Search of DENTON's Residence:

she wanted to turn over to police in hopes of finding out some answers as to why Joseph DENTON went armed to the VA Hospital on July 6th 2020. She turned over a white LG touch screen cellular phone, with a phone number of . I later placed a call to 911 from this phone to confirm the number. I was informed by the 911 dispatcher that this phone had no cellular service and that the call was only completed because it was an emergency call. The phone was also locked with a numerical passcode. provided a suspected password to the phone of "2580369" however that password did not unlock the phone. This phone was later placed on Milwaukee Police Department Inventory #20023893 #1.
DENTON had died, she went to his residence located at 5103 W National Ave I informed me that she was very close with Joseph and when he was alive he gave her keys to his apartment. She was the only person, other than Joseph, that had keys to his apartment. She stated when she arrived at his residence his door was left open. She stated she went inside and located his cellular phone in the living room on a table and she took it. She stated she also took his wallet that had money in it. She stated that she used that money to purchase Joseph a suit for his funeral. I also informed me that she took two televisions from his residence. She stated she took these things of value from his apartment because Joseph's brother told her that Joseph's upstairs neighbors had recently attempted to burglarize him and she did not want his things to be stolen.
I agreed to take us to Joseph DENTON's apartment in order to attempt to locate anything that would explain his actions prior to his death. Detective KLABUNDE and I then conveyed I to 5103 W National Ave . Upon our arrival I used her key to unlock the door. We conducted a search of the residence but did not locate anything of informational value. I observed the apartment to be messy and it appeared to only be lived in by Joseph DENTON. There were items of mail there with his name and that address on them. I did not locate any notes left behind by him and the only documents that I observed were numerous medical documents. I informed me that Joseph some point he began to have trouble walking. He had
I did observe two walkers in his apartment. I was not sure what she only knew that he regularly saw the doctor and he did not work because ne I nformed me that Joseph would talk about being a professional "You Tuber" and he had his own channel. She stated his You Tube channel name was "Joseph Denton". Although she stated that he had a You Tube channel, I did not see any computers, web cameras, or any other audio/visual equipment in the apartment. During the search I did not locate any firearms, ammunition or documents related to firearms. The search concluded and I was left with family members that were nearby holding a vigil for Joseph DENTON.

The LG phone that belonged to Joseph was ultimately submitted to the High Tech Unit for a full forensic processing of the phone. On July 16th 2020 I was informed that the processing was complete and phone's passcode could not be bypassed. Because of this, nothing of value was obtained from the



phone.

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Case Number: 201880216.038 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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This report is written by Detective WILLIAM SCHROEDER assigned to the Investigations and Intelligence Bureau, Homicide Unit as squad 9231.

On Wednesday, July 15, 2020, I responded to the Veterans Hospital located at 5000 W. National Avenue for follow up. The assignment was regarding the Officer Involved Shooting which occurred on Monday, July 6, 2020. The assignment was to conduct an interview of a potential witness to the incident.

INTERVIEW OF J. M.

М stated she was working on the day of the shooting as a CNA. stated she has been working at the VA hospital since January 2020. M stated her shift on that day was 7:30AM - 12AM. M stated she works on the 7th floor of the Veterans Hospital. M stated (CNA) were escorting a wheelchair bound just prior to the incident she, C stated as the three took 2-3 steps out of patient out to his vehicle. M stated she looked toward the south entrance some shouted "Help". M the bus stop area, which I know to be the south direction towards National Avenue. stated she observed an unknown race male pointing a long rifle at hospital staff member. M stated the staff member is death but continued to walk toward the building as the suspect pointed the long gun at him. stated the only other person in that vicinity was another staff member who the suspect pointed the long gun at as well. M and the patient ran back into the building and reported it to the she. C stated she observed "J administration office. M another CNA at

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the police dispatch window informing the police. M stated she did not recognize the person and only knows it was a male. N stated she was focused on the long gun, which resembled a rifle. M stated she returned to her work location and had no further information. M stated the police had not responded to the scene while she was able to observe the armed suspect pointing the gun.

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had no further information and the interview was ended

END OF REPORT 015957



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End of report, M6050.

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This report is written by Det. Alexander KLABUNDE assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Unit. On Thursday, July 17th, 2020 at approximately 6:15pm, I went to the Milwaukee V.A. Hospital, 5000 W National Av, to conduct follow-up regarding an officer involved shooting that occurred at this location on Monday, July 6th, 2020. The purpose of the follow-up was to interview an employee at this hospital that may have witnessed this incident. Upon my arrival. I met D , who stated that he did witness this officerinvolved shooting. I then interviewed D Interview of D D and he provided a phone D stated that he lived at stated that on 7-6-20, he was working at the V.A. Hospital number of between 4:30pm-2:30am. stated that just prior to 9:00pm, he was working above the ceiling in a room on the 4th D stated that this room was located on the east side of the building floor of the hospital. D then heard a lot of shouting coming from and it had windows looking out east. D outside. got off of his ladder and looked out the window. He then observed a black male in his late 20's, thin build, with long dreadlocks, wearing a white t-shirt, designer faded blue jeans, sitting on the grass between the hospital handicapped parking lot and driveway, holding a black stated that this man was near a stop sign to the south of the east hospital shotaun. Di entrance. D stated that this man was pointing the shotgun from his hip towards 3 police officers that were near him. stated that the windows were closed in the room, but he could still hear the officers stated that the man repeatedly yelling orders for the man to put the shotgun down. D ignored these orders and kept pointing the shotgun at the officers. D stated that this went on for approximately 5 minutes. observed that the man got up and started walking north in the driveway towards the officers. The officers continued to tell the man to drop the gun, but the man ignored these stated that he then heard approximately 8 gunshots fired from an officer. The man fell to the ground and the officers moved towards him. observed that one officer moved the shotgun away from the man. D observed nurses came from the hospital and started performing CPR on the man.

stated that he did not have any additional information about this incident at this time.



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This report is written by Det. Jeremia	ah Jacks assign	ed to CIB H	omicide Unit Da	ays.	
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stated the video was origin arrives at work at 4:30 PM. P Y and S The four of detective will come back to interview DVD with the email.	was also awar of them will be in	e there were n later today	three addition	al witness [ informed P	ı a



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Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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	Narrative	
Title WITNESS INTERVIEW		

This report is filed by Detective Martin SAAVEDRA, assigned to The Criminal Investigations Bureau, Homicide Division, Early shift.

On Thursday July 16, 2020, Detective Michael TANEM and I, were instructed by LT David LARSON to responded to the VA Hospital located at 5000 West National Ave in order to conduct follow up on this investigation. This incident was the officer involved shooting of Joseph W DENTON B/M 01/05/85, which occurred on 7/06/20 at 8:45 pm.

Detectives were informed that there were additional witnesses that needed to be interviewed, who had witnessed the incident. We were informed that the witnesses

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were contractors who had been working at the hospital at the time of the incident.

Detectives Tyler KIRKVOLD and Alexander KLABUNDE also responded to conduct the interviews.

Upon arrival at approximately 6:15pm, I made contact with M W

#### Interview of M W

During the interview of M , he confirmed with me that he was in fact working on the day of the shooting incident, **7/06/20**. He stated that he is employed by Veteran's Electric, and that he the crew have been a working at this site on and off for the last 3 years. M stated that his regular work hours for this current project are 4:30pm-2:30 am.

He stated that on the day of this incident he and 3 other of his co-workers were on the Fourth Floor, near the east side of the building, which overlooks to the south east. He named his co-workers as S , D , and T

M stated that he recalled that D got his attention after D heard some yelling and commotion coming form outside. M explained that the area were they were oversees the east entrance of the hospital. M stated that he and his co-workers go to the windows and he sees a black male armed with a shotgun. M stated that he saw and heard uniform VA police officers yelling out commands and ordering the male to drop the gun. M stated that he heard the police officers yell out commands numerous times, and that the male was not obeying.

M stated that at one point the black male with the shotgun pointed the weapon up towards the windows of the building and had it pointed in the directions of the officers multiple times. M stated that police kept yelling out commands for the suspect to drop the gun and then suddenly recalls hearing 3-4 gun shots. M stated that after hearing the gunshots he sees the suspect go done and them sees at least 2 police officers approach the suspect. M stated that one of the officers turns the suspect over and places him in handcuffs, while the other officer takes control of the shotgun that the suspect had.

M stated that the officers then began to render aid to the suspect in the form of CPR. M ecalled that one of the officers is doing chest compressions. M tated that he recalls an announcement over the Hospital



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PA system that there was a Medical Emergency outside and recalls that the announcement mentioned to avoid the east entrance of the hospital. M stated that he recalled that one of his co-workers may have taken a video of the event.

M described the suspect as a black male 30's, unknown height, medium build, wearing light color jeans, a light shirt, and had shoulder length braided hair. The suspect was armed with a black shotgun. M stated that he never saw this subject before and had no idea who he was.

After the interview Detective T K and I, were escorted to room #4146 and 4146A, which was the suite were M and the others had made their observations the day of the incident. I observed that this suite contained 2 offices, and noticed that the windows in this office face south. I observed the drive leading up to the ER entrance, and could see the south of that area and noticed the bus stop. I could see to the south and to the southeast.

**END OF REPORT, MS** 



Case Number: 201880216.042 CAD Number:

Report Type: Supplemental Report
Nature of Incident: HOMICIDE OFFENSE

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Reporting Officer: Thomae, Michael W 018029

Next of Kin Notification



Case Number: 201880216

This report is written by Detective Michael Thomae, assigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau, Violent Crimes Division, early shift.

On Monday, July 6, 2020, at 11:30 PM, Detective Tiffany Skonieczny and I were assigned by Lieutenant Kevin Eyre to go to 2137 W College Ave #316 to make a next of kin death notification to the family of Joseph W Denton, (b/m, 01-05-85). Upon arrival at 12:05 AM, we knocked on the door and spoke to a I stated that her nephew is Joseph subject who later identified herself as I D W Denton and that he used to live with her. I stated that Joseph last lived with her in winter 2019 before he had Į. stated that recently Joseph was going through some hard times. that in winter 2019 Joseph stated that because he was "tippy toe" walking. I stated that she has not seen Joseph he needed the stated that she last spoke with Joseph on Father's Day, June 21, 2020. since the that during this phone call, Joseph told her that he was depressed and did not want to be around family. a photograph of Joseph W Denton, (b/m, 01-05-85), and she stated that this was her , lives somewhere in nephew. I stated that Joseph's mother, J and has two phone numbers for her, then tried phone number had a busy signal and the calling these numbers and the phone number nobody picked up. I stated that Joseph has a residence in West Allis near the VA hospital. I could not give me the address or the nearest intersection closest to it. I stated that Joseph gave her a key for it. I stated that Joseph used to own firearms and told her recently that he does not have any firearms anymore. I stated that Joseph told her that he has stopped selling drugs and hanging around bad people. I stated that she does not know why Joseph went to the VA Hospital with a gun. At 2:00 AM, I was notified that J was on the telephone and wanted to speak to a detective to confirm the death of her

was on the telephone and wanted to speak to a detective to confirm the death of her son, Joseph W Denton. I told B that Joseph was deceased after an incident that occurred at the VA Hospital. I told B that the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office would be in contact with her. B did not request any other information and hung up the phone.

**End of Report** 



**Case Number: 201880216.043 CAD Number:** 

Report Type: **Supplemental Report**Nature of Incident: **HOMICIDE OFFENSE** 

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FORENSIC EXAMINATION OF EVIDENCE

Reporting Officer: Ungerer, Brant A 008029



Case Number: 201880216

This report is written by Detective Brant Ungerer, assigned to the High Technology Unit, Day Shift.

HTU #20-0442

On 07/15/2020, I began a forensic exam of a cell phone, listed on MPD Inventory # 20023893, Item 1. This exam was performed as part of this phone belonging to a deceased victim.

I found that this phone was locked and I was unable to bypass the lock. An exam of the SIM card was all that was able to be done.

I conducted my exam of the phone and then created a report of my exam. For the full file of my report please refer to the created discs of my exam.

I made a digital copy of my reports and placed it on MPD inventory # 20025596.

It should be noted that items such as call history and the user can edit text message history. Additionally, some phones store only the last incoming or outgoing call for a number, rather than displaying the entire call history. Therefore, the most accurate information regarding call history and text message history should be obtained from the service provider.

This concludes my portion of the investigation. However, the items extracted during the forensic exam do not exhaust the possibility of additional items of evidentiary value residing on an item.



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Employer / School Phone

Employer / School Address						
Narrative						
Title WITNESS INTERVIEW						
This report is written by PO Austin DOMAGALSKI assigned to District Three, Early Shift.						
On Monday July 6th, 2020, Squad 3283 (PO Matthew LINK and I) responded to a shooting complaint at approximately 8:53pm at the VA Hospital (5000 W. National Ave)						
Upon arriving on scene I entered the Emergency room section and located two subjects who witnessed the incident.						
I first spoke with J F who is a registered nurse at the VA Hospital.  F stated he was exiting the VA Hospital when he heard what he thought were fireworks.  F stated that is when he observed a subject laying on the ground in front of the VA Hospital emergency room entrance. F stated he observed police surrounding the subject. F stated he observed a shotgun approximately ten (10) feet from the subject. F did not have any other information regarding.						
I then spoke with A . Z who is a registered nurse at the VA Hospital. Z stated she was exiting the hospital when she observed a subject armed with a handgun pointed into the air. Z stated she observed three (3) police officers on scene and heard police giving commands to the subject. Z, stated the police were saying "drop the gun". Z stated at this time she turned around and began to run away. Z stated she then heard approximately four (4) gun shots. 2 did not have any other further information regarding.						
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#### Narrative

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M6050 AUTOPSY SUPPLEMENT

This report is submitted by PSSI Michael BRAUNREITER assigned to the Homicide Division Dayshift.

On Tuesday 07/07/2020 I, **PSSI Michael BRAUNREITER** was assigned to conduct follow-up relative to this investigation. The follow-up needed was to respond to the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office located at 933 W. Highland Ave. to monitor the autopsy being performed on the victim who has been tentatively identified as Joseph W DENTON B/M 01/05/1985.

Upon my arrival I did observe the victim; he arrived at the medical examiner's office with no clothing. The medical examiner's staff did measure this victim determining that he was 65 inches long and weighed 132 pounds. The medical examiner's staff did assign this victim their case #20-04731.

Squad 1729 Forensic Investigator Alan WINTER responded and did take a right index finger print. This index fingerprint was later compared to other prints already on file with the Milwaukee Police Department at which time a positive identification was made of the victim Joseph W DENTON B/M 01/05/1985 with a PIN of 297461.

I did observe **Dr. Jacob SMITH** conduct the external examination of this victim. This exam located two (2) gunshot wounds. These wounds are identified and located as follows,

GSW #1 left side of back

GSW #2 graze wound to the top of the left foot

Dr. SMITH states the bullets were fired from indeterminate ranges the fatal wound is as follows

This is a penetrating wound entrances GSW #1 left side of back, this bullet struck the victim traveling back to front, left to right and in an upward angle. The bullet entered the victim's back traveling through damaging both lungs, the pulmonary artery and the inferior vena cava vein. This bullet was located in the right pleural cavity. This bullet is deformed and fragmented total weight of copper jacketed bullet fragments 118 grain.

Dr. SMITH states the victim died as a result of this gunshot wound and ruled his death a homicide.

I did request and receive a copy of the photographs taken by the medical examiner staff during this autopsy procedure. These photographs were contained on a compact disk; the original disk was copied and placed on Milwaukee Police Department inventory #20027843 as evidence.

**Forensic Investigator Michael SIMLEY** did turnover items of evidence that had been collected during this autopsy procedure. These items were packaged and placed on Milwaukee Police Department inventory #20023570. For a detailed description of these items refer to the property tab.

This investigation is pending review at the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office.